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Here is the man who may one day be Prince Consort of Britain.
Lieut. Philip Mountbatten, son of the late Prince Andrew of Greece and Princess Alice, and descendant of the Danish Royal Family of Glücksburg, a cadet branch of which founded the reigning dynasty of Greece, has just received his marriage licence.
A reproduction of the licence is shown on Page 2.

Bao Dai Ends Viet Nam Talks

The "National Assembly," which ex-Emperor Bao Dai summoned on Sept. 9 in Hong Kong, ended yesterday with the last four Viet Nam delegates leaving by air for Saigon.

Interviewed on their departure, the delegates told the "Sunday Herald" that the result of the conference, attended by more than 20 delegates from Cochinchina, Annam and Tonkin, was "very satisfactory."

They added that they were going home to continue their work and wait for the results of the negotiations between the French High Commissioner, Edouard Bellet, and Bao Dai whom they have pledged to support.

The delegates who left yesterday represented Tonkin,

They were Nguyen Ba Chinh, Le Van Do, Luong Van Phuc and Do Van Do.

In a statement yesterday, Mr. Luu Duc Trung, spokesman for Bao Dai, declared that the projected meeting between Bao Dai and the French High Commissioner for Indochina would take place in a third country, not in Viet Nam.

Mr. Luu denied a Saigon message that Bao Dai was expected to arrive in Hanoi sometime this week to start negotiations with the French High Commissioner.

Churchill Says Labor On Way Out

Brighton, Oct. 4.
Mr. Winston Churchill told the annual conference of the Conservative Party today to be ready for a new national election "at any time this year or next."

"It does not rest with us when a general election will take place," Mr. Churchill said in a speech prepared for delivery to the convention, "but it is quite certain that we should be most imprudent not to be ready at any time this year or next."

"We have every reason to believe that the Socialist Government, which even in the hour of its triumph, did not represent a majority of the electorate."

"It is now a substantial minority, and is ruling without the support and against the wishes of the large part of the nation."

Mr. Churchill declared that the economic crisis "will not be mastered except by the election of a new House of Commons."

Only 12 hours after the Union won approval from Government after a drawn-out debate on when miners would start longer hours in pits, the Union's Executive Committee, it was reliably reported, decided to demand one pound weekly wage increase for 700,000 coal workers.

The Executive Committee will meet again next Thursday to draw up the final recommendations on wages and hours for presentation on Friday to a special conference of the rank and file delegates.

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MORE JEW SHIPS MOVE TO PALESTINE

Counter Blows From Hagana Feared

Jerusalem, Oct. 4.
The British Army today tightened precautions throughout Palestine on reports that two more Jewish refugee ships might try to run the naval blockade.
The Army was especially alert because the forces of Hagana, Jewish underground organization, are mustered against the possibility of disturbances during yesterday's one-day Arab general strike against proposals to partition Palestine.

Hagana seems ready for some sort of action in retaliation for the deportation of the two ships which arrived yesterday.

Radar installations on Mount Carmel, against which sabotage attempts were made previously, are closely guarded and beneath Mount Haifa the port area resembled a fortress.

Soldiers made surprise searches of houses in the Haifa area and suspicious persons were detained.

Transfer
Seven hundred refugees from the Paduanah—renamed Redemption—who were left at Haifa yesterday when 800 others were transhipped to Cyprus today were transferred to the British transports Empire Rest and Empire Comfort.

Both transports arrived from Cyprus at 10 a.m. and left again for the island at 12.30 p.m.

The authorities hoped to dispose of 2,000 refugees still at Haifa from the "Northland"—renamed "Jewish State."

They are expected to be sent to Cyprus aboard the transports Runnymede Park, Ocean Vigour, and Empire Rival.
It seemed apparent that the Navy is preparing for greater numbers of refugees than they yet handled at Haifa.

The High Commissioner (Sir Alan Cunningham) today commissioned the Haifa coroner to start an official inquiry into the circumstances of the death of an infant girl, Haviva Stern, which the Jews alleged resulted from the Navy's use of tear gas bombs. The coroner's verdict is expected next Monday—United Press and Associated Press.

For Sale, One Dog: Price Million Dollars

Shanghai, Oct. 4.
For sale one brown spotted dog named Brownie. Price: CN\$1,000,000.

Brownie, whose value is shooting up faster than the fast shooting prices, was an ordinary dog last week when, as the pet of a Chinese soldier, it boarded a train for Nanking.

The soldier did not buy a ticket for the dog and an inspector spotted it.
He informed the soldier that he would have to buy a ticket when he got to Nanking.

But the soldier learned he would be penalised and would have to pay double the ticket—a total of CN\$482,000.

The soldier had no money so he left the dog as security.

Nanking shipped the dog back to Shanghai at a cost of another CN\$216,000. Rations cost CN\$15,000 daily.

Now the railway authorities said Brownie would go on auction next week—United Press.

After refuelling here, the ships will continue the voyage to Singapore. They are escorted by a destroyer and an American Navy Liaison Officer in charge.



As more Jew "Exodus" ships move on Haifa, security measures are being tightened in Palestine.
Here are some measures already taken (above) Loud speakers blast as new regulations are announced to Jews in Jerusalem. (Below) The Military Governor of Jerusalem discusses precautions with Mayors of the area.

Mukden Put Under Martial Law

Peiping, Oct. 4.
Mukden, cut off by rail and with food prices spiralling, was put under martial law today.

Panic-stricken civilians bid fabulously for scarce plane tickets.

Curfew was also imposed from 9.30 p.m. to 5.30 a.m. daily.
Meanwhile, Reuters says that Nationalist marines have landed in the former British-leased port of Weihaiwei as the Government's campaign in the Shantung peninsula moved to a close today, according to press despatches reaching Nanking.

The marines, who swarmed ashore from the gunboats after naval guns had destroyed the shore defenses, are said to be at present engaged in "mopping up" operations.
Weihaiwei is the last support in Communist hands south of the Great Wall.

It was returned to China by Britain to whom it was leased for 99 years as a coaling station in 1890 after serving for many years as a summer playground of the Royal Navy in this part of the world.

The end of the Shantung peninsula campaign—which will come with the capture of Weihaiwei—will release several battalions of Nationalist troops for despatch to Manchuria.

Four Catholic missionaries, including a French bishop and a French nun, are believed to have been kidnapped by Communists as they retreated from Chefoo, the large seaport in northeast Shantung, captured early this week by Government forces, the official Central News reported today.

Two Chinese women, teachers are also missing, the paper added.

Britain Refutes Red Criticisms Of Empire

Lake Success, Oct. 4.
Britain today struck back to the continued Soviet criticisms of her colonial empire and offered to "risk the challenge of world opinion at any time."

The British delegate (A. H. Poyton) told the Trusteeship Committee of the U.N. General Assembly that the "British Empire" without help by intervening oceans, is every bit as much a single international entity as the Soviet Union.

Mr. Poyton listed "five fallacies" which he said were "colour, every international discussion on colonial affairs."

Palestine
Precaution



Shanghai Tram Strikers Ordered Back

FLARE-UP SPREADS TO DEPARTMENT STORES

Shanghai, Oct. 4.
Mayor K. C. Wu gave striking tramway workers until 4 p.m. today to end their eight-day strike "or get fired," as labour unrest continued to spread.

The Mayor confirmed reports that 96 French Tramway workers were arrested following an attack by 300 strikers on fellow employees attempting to return to work and the subsequent clash with the police.

Four were picked out as ringleaders of the violence and these will be court-martialled. Police arrested a dozen department store employees following uprisings in two of Shanghai's largest stores. Police quelled a flare-up after both had been closed.

"Confident"
Voicing confidence in the power of local authorities to curb riots at any time, the Mayor offered police and military protection to workers returning to their jobs, as well as to their families.

He ordered the police to arrest any rioters and instructed them to shoot those attempting to resist arrest.

Shanghai's Wooning Garrison Command said that if necessary it would transfer the 202nd Youth Army, now stationed on the city's outskirts, into downtown areas in order to increase the power of the police.

The Police today also arrested seven employees of the Wing On Company, Ltd., and

the China Native Products Store after an attempted labour uprising in the two firms.
At the same time it was reported that a general strike, called by five other large department stores, is believed to have been averted.
Hundreds of thousands of handbills were distributed protesting against the arrest of the company employees while the police guarded entrances of large department stores.
Reliable sources said the trouble started when a Kuomintang faction sought to control various labour organizations and arrested several workers. Other workers called a protest strike.—Associated Press and United Press.

He said during the period he was alleged to have been in Manchuria assisting the Communists, he was actually in Chungking "working for the recapture of Manchuria and the realization of its local self-government."

Mr. Chow said it is really Dr. Tong who is assisting the Communists by picking up and repeating Communist propaganda.
In Shanghai the Democratic League spokesman said today that he would issue another statement in reply to Hollington Tong's latest statement denying the Democratic League's connection with the Communists.

The Central News, quoting unnamed high Government persons, declared that the Government is also watching the Reform Committee of the Democratic Socialist Party under Carson Chang.

It is claimed Democratic League elements as well as Communists "have" infiltrated into the Reform Committee.

Typhoon 'Pauline' Is Growing

Manila, Oct. 4.
The Fleet Weather Central at Cavite reported today "Typhoon Pauline" was growing into a dangerous storm, with winds over 100 knots recorded by Navy planes which flew into the centre this afternoon.

The typhoon was moving west-north-west at 10 knots on a course which would take it toward the southern tip of Formosa—Associated Press.

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Mr. Chu Yu	Mr. A. P. Liu
Mr. Herbert Tseng	Mr. C. Y. Wu
Mr. Jones Wei	Mr. Y. T. Chang
Mr. Herbert King	Mr. C. K. Liu
Mr. Wang Hsiao-Lai	Mr. C. S. Lin
Mr. Fei Yi-Ming	Mr. J. C. Ma
Mr. Chen Shun-Yu	Mr. S. H. Hsu
Mr. Thomas Chao	Mr. S. H. King
Mr. K. S. Chang	Mr. S. J. Chiang
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The student half-fare identity cards issued by the Kowloon Motor Bus Company are only valid between 6 a.m. and 6 p.m. and are not recognised on Sundays and public holidays.

Meanwhile, private school principals are clamouring for the same privilege for their pupils and are preparing a petition to the Kowloon Motor Bus Company to extend the concession to all schools in the Colony.

Governor Back From China

The Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, and Lady Grantham returned to the Colony yesterday from a four-day courtesy visit to Nanking.

Mrs. C. G. S. Follows, Financial Secretary, who accompanied Sir Alexander and Lady Grantham, returned in the same plane—an R.A.F. aircraft.

Social Welfare Department In Making

The 11th annual report of the Social Welfare Department, published in the Gazette, is the first step in the establishment of a Social Welfare Department in Hong Kong.

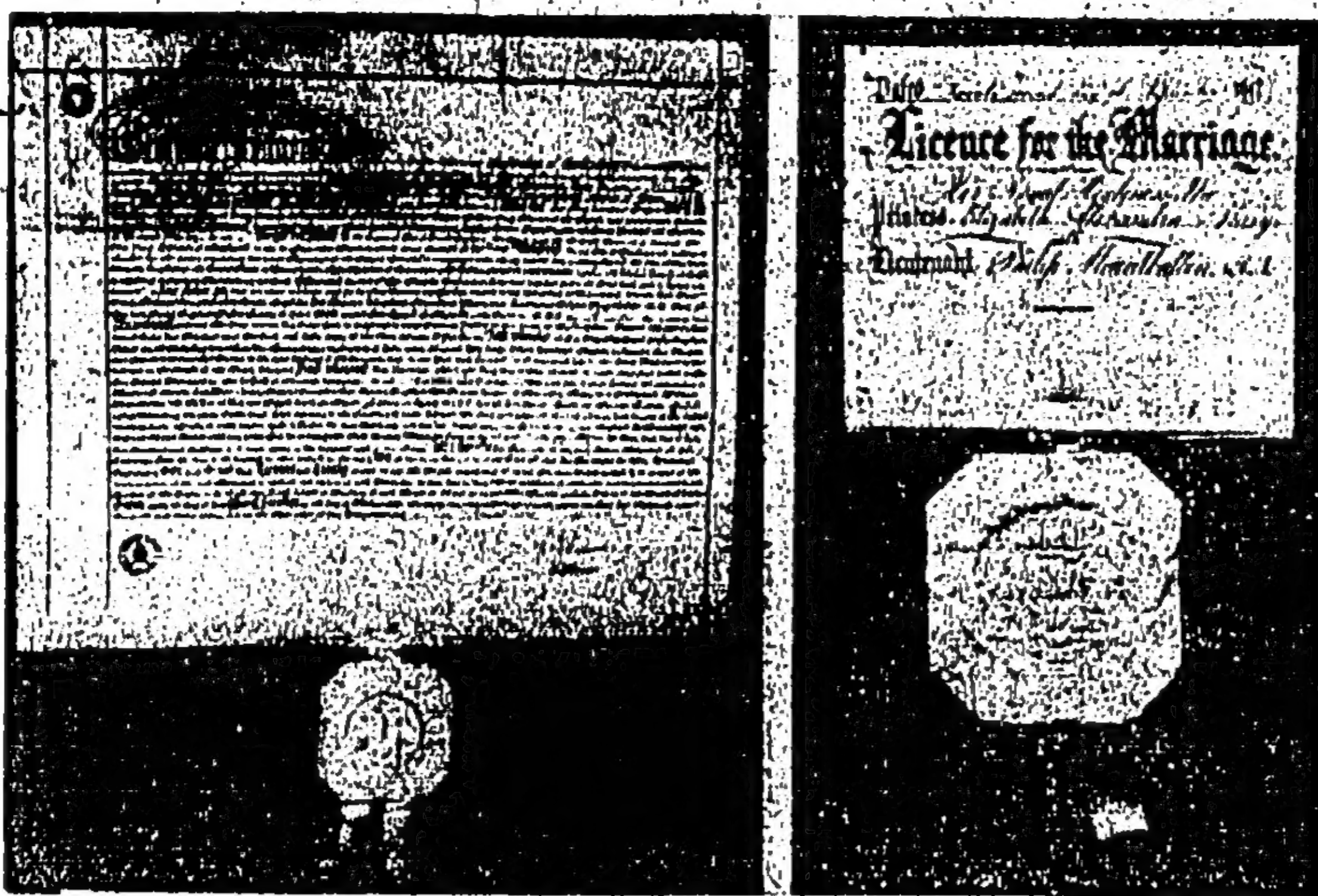
Mr. McDouall returned to the Colony at the end of August after an intensive course in social welfare studies in England.

The main functions of the Social Welfare Department will be to co-ordinate and intensify the welfare activities of all kinds in the Colony in such a manner that the best possible results for the community are obtained with the greatest economy of effort.

For the present the Social Welfare Department will be a sub-department of the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs. It will take over some of the social welfare activities of the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs, of the Medical Department and of other Government departments, and will maintain the closest liaison with the Hong Kong Social Welfare Council and other unofficial organizations engaged in social welfare work.

The Gazette publishes a list of 13 further China companies registered in Hong Kong.

ROYAL WEDDING LICENCE



The Royal Special Licence for the wedding on November 20, 1947, of Princess Elizabeth and Lt. Philip Mountbatten, R.N., was issued from the Faculty Office of the Archbishop of Canterbury on September 22. It is a piece of vellum 2 1/2 inches by 2 1/2 inches and the lettering is in gold, engraved in a style used for legal documents as far back as 1600.

The calligrapher, Mr. Henry J. Fisher, of 180, Parry Road, Kowloon, N.H., took two days to complete it in his own time.

Personalia

Lieut. General V. A. H. Sturdee, C.B.E., D.S.O., Chief of General Staff, Australian Army, and Mrs. Sturdee, will arrive in Hong Kong tomorrow on their way back from Japan, where the General has been visiting Commonwealth troops of the Occupation Forces there. They will spend the week in Hong Kong as guests of the G.O.C. Major General Erskine. From 1940 until September 1942 Lieut. General Sturdee was the first Australian member of the Military Board, Chief Australian Secretary of the Imperial General Staff. In September 1942 he led the Australian Military Mission to Washington where he stayed until he assumed command of the First Australian Army in March 1944.

A concert of recorded music will be presented at Talbot House (Tee H.), 50, Macdonnell Road, Hong Kong at 8.30 this evening. The programme will include: Overture "A Midsummer Night's Dream" by Mendelssohn; Quartet in A Minor by Schubert; "Eine Kleine Nachtmusik" by Mozart; and Symphony in G Minor by Mozart.

Arrivals at Peninsula Hotel include Mr. and Mrs. R. Kelly, E.A. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. M.C. Hallon, Mr. and Mrs. James Moffat, Mrs. K.M. Gardner, Sir A. Noble, A.B. Hutchison, Miss R. Denayre, M. Gubbay and Mr. and Mrs. W. Taylor.

Among Peninsula departures were Maj. and Mrs. W.G. Silva, A.I. Berry and N. Ilen Sopp.

Lester M. Robbins arrived from Manila by C.P.A. plane.

The next meeting of the Sino-British Club will take place at St. John's Cathedral Hall on Wednesday, at 5.30 p.m., when Mr. Law Chung-kam, B.A., will speak on "Chinese Customs".

Among passengers by P.A.L. planes were Mrs. W.H. Fisher (for Manila) and Emile D. Bajasa, James V. Limpe, Maurice I. Moorfield, T.J. Ellis and John Pearson (from Manila).

A reception will be held by Sir Edmund Brazao, Consul-General, at Club Lusitana at 6.30 p.m. tomorrow to celebrate Portugal's National Day, which falls to-day.

Members of the local Government, Fighting Services, leading members of the local communities, and Portuguese nationals, have been invited.

The name of P.W.A. Wood has been added to the list of Authorized Auditors.

Mrs. P. Johnson, President of the Sydney Y.W.C.A., who is the Australian delegate to the Y.W.C.A. World Conference, opening in Hong Kong on Oct. 15, left Sydney yesterday by plane for China, says Central News. Miss L. Bridgman, National Secretary of the Australian Y.W.C.A., who is another Australian delegate, left for China some time ago. A third Australian delegate is leaving for the conference from Queensland.

Mr. R. Marinho of Standard Vacuum, Saigon, who has been visiting the Colony after an absence of over 25 years, is leaving on retirement in the President Pulk sailing tomorrow.

Mr. Marinho accompanied by Mrs. Marinho and his step-son, Mr. Jean Reiter, are proceeding to early where they intend to settle.

The forthcoming weddings are announced: Peter Robert Dawson White, H.K.C.T.U. No. 3, Camp Argyle Street, Kowloon, to Miss Tsung Shu-ling, Mr. Abdul Butt Merchant, 10, Cornwall Road, to Miss Irene Lower, 133, Prince Edward Road, Kowloon.

Magistrate Got "Sick And Tired" Of "Smugglers"

Mr. J. G. Conklin, at the Central Magistracy yesterday, said he was "sick and tired" of dealing with petty smuggling cases and that in future he would deal with them harshly.

"I'm getting fed up with having these cases in court," he said.

Addressing the prosecutor, Revenue Officer Redman, he continued, "You only catch a few—the Chinese would rather take the small chance of being caught and paying a small fine than to stop smuggling."

Sentencing Yeung Tze to two months' hard labour for failing to pay duty on 288 containers of tooth powder, the Magistrate said: "You are obviously a smuggler, don't you think?"

"You can go back to Macao when you get out of here and tell your friends that if they are caught they too can go to prison."

"Not A Thing"

"A fine doesn't mean a thing," he said, turning to the Court, "they go down the rail of the dock already smiling."

Chan Choi was sentenced to a \$500 fine or two months' hard labour for not paying duty on 10 cartons of Phillip Morris cigarettes.

Sentenced to a \$500 fine or one month's hard labour for failing to pay duty on six small packets of Chinese tobacco, widow Wong Lai claimed that it was her first trip to the Colony, that she did not know the regulations and that she brought the tobacco only for her own use.

Letters From Readers

HKVDC Mystery

Sir,—Permit me space in your valued paper to air some of the mysteries involved in the latest statement of account which have been issued to the members of the HKVDC who were mobilized in 1941 and eventually interned.

According to the circular in hand, in one of these, paragraph 2 states:

Your account has been computed at BRITISH REGULAR ARMY RATES and has been fully audited.

1. Are Volunteers then entitled to family allowances covering Fuel, Lighting, Water etc.? From the above paragraph it should be, but where are these figures?

2. Why credit family allowances and enter a contra on the debit side. Have these sums been drawn by the families? If so why have a further item listing an amount for drawings made by the families whilst Volunteers were interned.

3. Why credit "Japanese Campaign Pay" from 1st Nov. 1944 to 7th Dec. 1945? The Regular Army were credited up to August 1946 for this item. War started 8th Dec. 1941?

The above should be clarified for the benefit of the Volunteers and their families. NON-PARTISAN.

Appeal

Sir,—The Christ Church Group of the Victoria Diocesan Missionary Association is organising, for the first time since the liberation, the annual picnic for the Blind Girls' Home. It will be held on Saturday, October 25.

In past years the public has given generously to enable us to organize this event which the girls of the home have come to regard as a Red-Letter Day—and it is with confidence that I address an appeal for donations for this, the 15th annual picnic.

Donations should be sent to Mrs. G. M. Goddard, c/o Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd., Hongkong Bank Building.

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The girls are quick to appreciate kindly actions and each year they eagerly look forward to the annual V.D.M.A. picnic which will be held this year at Castle Peak Beach.

Will you please help to make this year's picnic an event?

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Jap Admiral Questioned About Behar

Vice-Admiral Sokunja Naomasa testified before No. 5 War Crimes Court yesterday that he was dissatisfied over the sinking of the "Behar" because the orders were to capture and bring back Allied ships.

Sokunja, who was the Flag Officer Commanding the Japanese 10th Naval Squadron, is charged together with Captain Mayazumi Haruo (Commander of HJMS "Tone") with being concerned in the killing of 65 survivors of the "Behar" on the deck of the "Tone" on the night of Mar. 18, 1944.

Further cross-examined, Sokunja said that after the "Behar" had sent out RRR signals, he could not recall whether reconnaissance planes were sent out.

He did not know completely the enemy operation and thought a battle was imminent. He feared an attack by sea as well as air raids from planes based in Australia.

As the emergency did not arise, he changed his mind and had the prisoners landed. He did not know that on the night of Mar. 15, Captain Mayazumi had asked to see him or that permission had been given to transfer 15 prisoners to the Aoba. He did not give that order.

He received a report the next day that a few prisoners were on board for interrogation.

"Dissatisfied"

At a conference, the main point in the Captain's report was concerned with the sinking of the "Behar" with which he was dissatisfied.

Witness said his was dissatisfied because orders were to capture and bring back Allied ships.

At the conference he asked whether there were other measures that could be taken to capture the "Behar" as it had been reported to him that the "Behar" could do only 15 knots.

No report of failing to dispose of the prisoners was made.

All the time that Captain Mayazumi was in Batavia, there was no mention by him of the prisoners. Witness said he had decided to land them all.

The staff officer had not told him while in Batavia that there was trouble with the landing authorities about the prisoners.

He had given an order that steps were to be taken to land all prisoners.

The staff officer made no report to him whether the order had been carried out and he did not insist on a report.

Hearing will continue tomorrow at 10 a.m.

SMALLPOX VACCINATIONS

Employers of labour are notified that requests for vaccination against smallpox can be made to the Health Officer (Anti-Epidemic) Room 19, G.P.O. Building, third floor, telephone No. 39918.

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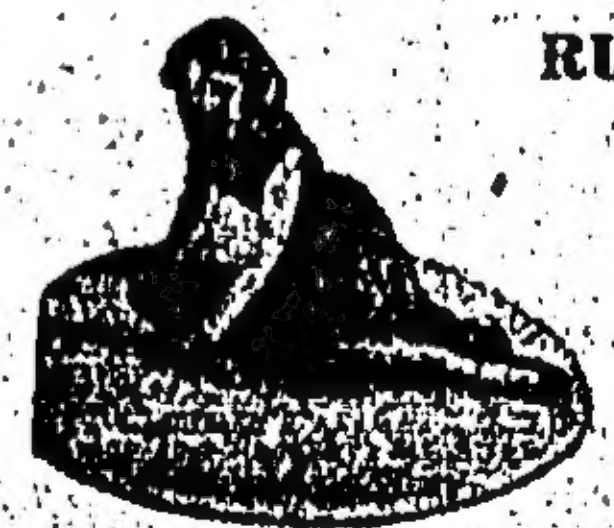
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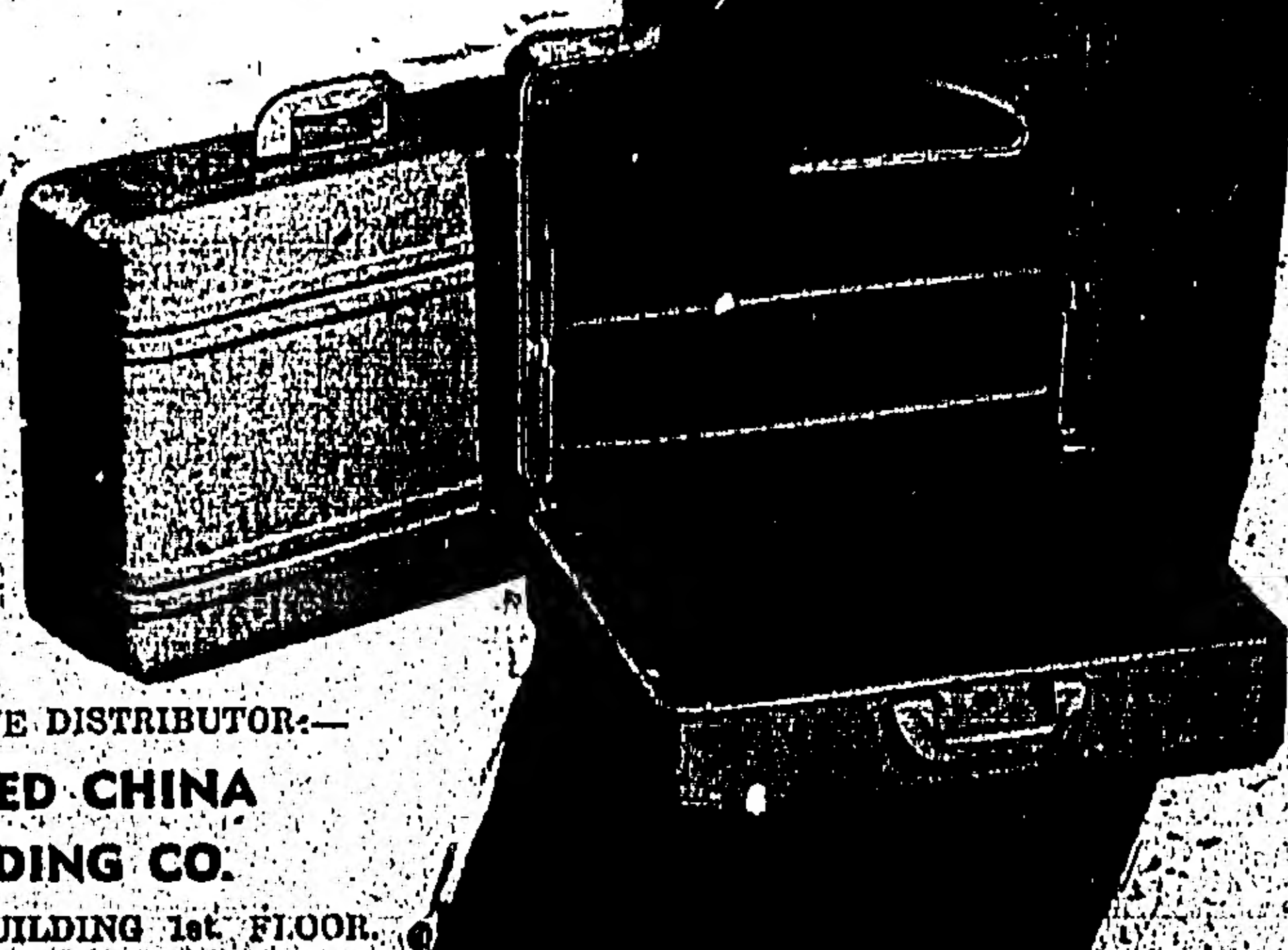
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By JACK PEARSON

I may sound peculiar (don't hurt me by agreeing) but for some delightfully indistinguishable reason about which I have fortunately never been completely clear, I have always regarded water as one of those unpredictable miracles of nature, to be approached in the reverence of holy solemnity and used only on occasion with caution to dilute drinks.

After weary years of proselytizing a one-man religion, I have been more than delighted to discover that this was apparently also the matured opinion of Hong Kong.

Hong Kong, so far as I have been permitted to observe, is an island completely surrounded by enormous quantities of water, most of it not utilized. There, I believe, been now and again a few enterprising characters who bottled a measure or two of it and there jealously preserved it for future decanting into glasses.

As the quantity of glasses about Hong Kong is even more numerous than the quantities of water, their problem of conservation was somewhat difficult.

But the rest of the fluid, so far as I can see, has been left entirely uninhabited.

A few furtive fishing junks on an odd day skip precariously across its surface and at inconvenient moments their crews come panting home to regale the angling press with fantastic stories of maniacal battles with sharks.

This does nothing to encourage the more enthusiastic use of the surplus waters.

Which, I may remark, has my whole-hearted support.

I have said—or I should have said if this typewriter had been the shadow of its youthful self—in an intense and nerve-racking opening paragraph exactly how I feel about water.

As you may have gathered, I regard water in any shape or form with despond.

I REFUSE

I am prepared to accept it—on my own terms—but I refuse to let it bully me.

I regard cold water coming in sudden spurts out of bath-room showers as a shock to the system and a deliberate attempt to degrade the dignity of man.

The one thing I have ever been able to see in its favour is that hot water is worse.

Hot water leaves you weak-willed and weary and with an unconquerable inclination to get back into another bath.... a state of mind most alarming to room-boys and embarrassing to hotel managements who have no hot water left.

Cold water merely gives you a spirit of bravado and it's not

until you're safely outside your room in the middle of the street that you find you've been de-cluded and begin to search madly in your pocket for the handkerchief you've left behind in the right-hand drawer.

It is a truly abysmal experience.

What I mean to say is, it's disconcerting.

That was why I was determined not to be disconcerted when a correspondent knocked on my door.

He was that type of correspondent, bronzed and lithe-looking and comparatively athletic.

Now I don't blame him.... I don't blame him in the least.... but I do think he might have warned me that we had arranged it.

If I had been equipped with that precaution I would not have let him in.

DID HE?

But did he?... not on your life he didn't.... He merely immersed himself in a chair and said: "Are you ready?"

Having gone through what I have told you in the best authority to be life in a perpetual state of never having been ready for anything, I could think of no sufficient answer.

He seemed to take this as a matter of course.

"I inquired hopefully, "No," he said robustly. "Beer at this hour is bull."

I had a fleeting glimpse of departing hope.

I turned back to look at him. He showed no sign of slackening.

"It's a nice thing, beer," I said, cutely.

He created himself on his legs. "I have a jeep," he said.

"Then lead me to the approxi-

BRIDGE

By YARBOROUGH
(Col. G.G.J. Walshe)

September is a perfect month for Bridge Congresses, and no setting could have been more perfect for the annual bridge congress in northern Ireland than Newcastle, Co. Down, with its famous golf links, its perfect beaches for sea bathing and its mountain climbing. There was a sprinkling of visitors from all over the British Isles.

The most successful visitors were Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Fleming, Mrs. MacDonald, and Mrs. Alder, who won the women's team-of-four event. The principal event, the Bernet Cup, was won by Messrs. Alec Fletcher, Tom Shank, Georges Hamma and Capt. Ewart Kempton.

Standardised methods of bidding were the rule, though there was a tendency here and there to unnecessary conventional complications. While acknowledging that the Blackwood is indispensable on many hands, I have advised restricting its use to the Four No-trumps bid asking for aces. Here is an interesting example where a partnership complicated matters by using the Four Clubs bid in the Blackwood way asking for aces instead of the Four No-trumps bid. The worst feature of this bid is that it eliminates the natural bid of Four Clubs.

S. K Q 10 x x x
H. x x
D. x x
C. K Q 10

S. J x x N S. x x
H. Q x x W E. H. A J 10
D. Q x x x D. K J 10
C. x x x S C. x x

S. A x
H. K x x
D. A x
C. A J 9 8 x x

The bidding:
West North East South
Pass Pass 1 H. 4C (a)
Pass 4D (b) Pass 5C (c)
Pass 5S (d) Pass 5NT (e)
Pass Pass Double Redouble

(a) Asking for aces; (b) the "next step" response; (c) meaning (c) meant for a natural bid (d) also meant for a natural bid but his partner thought he was showing Kings-three "steps" to show two Kings; (e) a costly sign-off had East not doubled.

The redouble made up for missing the slam bonus through using an unprofitable and unnecessary convention in slam bidding. Twelve tricks were made scoring 1,540 points for a redoubled vulnerable contract fulfilled.

mate position." I said, surrendering the whole fort.

And do you know what that man did?... he took me to a jeep.

It was a small, rusty jeep with several cwt of padlock.

"This is mine," he said proudly. "I leave it here.... I've left it here for two days."

"You have been in no danger of theft," I muttered inoffensively, shaking some gallons of water from the seat.

He produced a pocketful of keys and struggled with the padlock. To my disappointment it unlocked.

We departed at speed. While he was unlocking the padlock, I had let down my socks. It was an extremely necessary precaution.

Wanchai is not the spiritual home of jeeps.... especially of jeeps at speed. There are too many people littered about.

TOO MANY

There are too many people in this world anyway, but they needn't all come under your front wheels at the one time.

I have a definite affection for children—in or out of clothes—but my affection weakens when children suddenly appear out of the macadam. This I feel to be at least unfair to the macadam.

It leaves too few gaps on it for the progress of jeeps.

I also have an affection for people burdened with heavy wicker baskets.... I have a small hand-size one myself.... but I have no affection for people burdened with heavy wicker baskets.

Who said me to be the perpetrator of their suicide. I feel it would be more courteous on their part to do the job for themselves.

I also have.... as I think I observed in some previous year for curmudgeon.... an affection for curmudgeons which seem disposed to over-run everything with me in the front seat alarm me.... I would rather they let me out.

Still, I must say we did arrive at a beach. At least, it was close to a beach.

"We walk from here," said my correspondent, neatly avoiding collision with a stray limousine and unburdening himself of his keys to repadlock the jeep.

I had suspected as much.

There have been millions of words written in thousands of papers about the dangers of water erosion.

We fell over all of them.

"I could have brought my jeep down here, you know," said my correspondent, staggering out of a rut.

There are things one should not do even to jeeps," I retorted nervously.

(Isn't this "one" business beautiful).

SPRINGING AGILELY

"If that truck could do it, my jeep could," he replied, springing agilely into the undergrowth to avoid a public works vehicle.

Its cargo applauded him.

I was too busy disentangling myself from the wheels to answer him.

"We are approaching our objective," I inquired of him, feeling myself in the usual places to discover if I were still alive.

"This," he told me with an expansive sweep, "is Deep Wave Beach."

I took a close look for a wave. (I regret to inform my public me and that probably plague-stricken mouse that has just departed round the corner—that I couldn't find one).

There were several bulges in the water, doing their best to come in.... but it was a lost cause from the beginning.

They hadn't grown adult enough from ripples and they died at birth.

I have always felt sorrow for the careless deicide of the young.

"Perhaps the ocean is in no mood to give birth," I probed my correspondent comfortingly.

"The tide is out," he said in a warning tone.

"But he added, cheering up a little, "there are crabs."

There were millions of them.... all small cynical crabs who had no faith in human nature.

My correspondent prostrated himself on the beach to observe them. The crabs retired into a system of intricate tunnels.

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ABOUT THIS AND THAT

By ARTHUR GEE

One of the most important pieces of legislation to be passed during the reign of the British Military Administration (Hong Kong) will probably be renewed when it expires at the end of 1947. Short of a return of the old licensed prostitution system, this legislation provides the Health Authorities with the best alternative method of keeping venereal disease within bounds at least. Curiously enough, the "Venereal Disease (Compulsory Treatment) Proclamation" is not only unknown to most people but also, apparently, to many doctors—who have certain very specific duties to perform under the terms of the law.

The Proclamation was issued on March 31st, 1946, and was ordered to remain in force till December 31st, 1947, unless revoked. It has not only not been revoked, but I have been told officially that Government agrees that the powers given under this Proclamation (No. 28) should be continued "in some form or other" after December 31st, 1947.

So far as doctors are concerned, the main provisions of the Order specify that "a registered medical practitioner... shall, if he is of the opinion that the contact is suffering from a venereal disease in a communicable form, serve upon the contact a treatment notice." In that event, he must "send within 24 hours a copy of such notice to the Assistant Director of Hygiene." If, on the other hand, he is satisfied that the disease is not in a communicable form, "he shall within 24 hours send a report setting out his diagnosis and all relevant particulars to the Assistant Director of Hygiene, who may thereupon grant a clearance certificate... or, if not satisfied... issue a further notice to the contact to attend at a special place for further examination by a special practitioner."

The penalties for non-compliance are stiff, and apply to both doctor and/or patient. "Any person (who) contravenes or fails to comply with the provisions of this Proclamation" is guilty of an offence. On summary conviction, he is liable to imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months or to a fine not exceeding \$1,000—or both—and on conviction on indictment to two years and/or \$5,000. Yet, as I said before, most people and many doctors appear to be ignorant of such legislation and may, therefore, unwittingly be liable to prosecution.

So far, no one has yet been convicted under this Proclamation. In nearly every case, contacts identified have reported to the clinics for treatment. A few contacts picked up in the street in Kowloon gave false addresses and failed to do so. I am informed, however, that "the Health Visitors usually find them in the end." The proclamation is used as a useful means of persuading them to attend for treatment.

Visiting M.Ps.

A Parliamentary Mission is due in Hong Kong this week-end on a goodwill mission to China. According to an official puff on the subject, "although none of them have had direct links with China, they cover a wide field of interests, which will make for a better understanding and stronger bonds of friendship." Well, there's nothing like starting off in an optimistic frame of mind. They'll probably go home equally optimistic, at that; the average Chinese official is a past master at the art of concealing damp rot with a thick coat of enamel.

The party is made up of representative Members of Parliament—all male. The House of Lords is represented by Mr. Lord Ammon and Mr. Amulree (both Labour). The House of Commons is represented by Frank McLeavy and James Harrison (Labour), Wilfrid Roberts (Liberal), and Martin Lindsay (Conservative). In view of the political conditions in China, it seems a pity Mr. William Gallacher (Communist) is not with them.

Doyen of the party is Lord Ammon, Captain of the King's Bodyguard, and holder of several high posts; he has been associated with politics longer than any of the others. Government Chief Whip and Deputy Speaker of the House of Lords, he was Labour MP for North Camberwell from 1922-31 and 1935-44. In the latter

year he was elevated to the peerage. Ammon was a member of the West African Mission, 1938-39, and chairman of the London County Council, 1941-42; during the war, he led a Parliamentary Mission to Newfoundland.

He is also Governor of the London School of Economics; his own education is listed briefly as "elementary school." A member of the Author's Club, his publications include "Christ and Labour," "Newfoundland," and "The Forgiven Island." This energetic man of 72 should be able to talk stamps with our local PMG without any hesitation—for he was till quite recently in the Post Office service, at home and organising secretary of the Union of Post Office Workers.

His "oppo," Amulree, formerly Basil William Sholto Mackenzie, succeeded his father as the second Baron Amulree in 1912. Although only 47 years of age, he has made his mark



Another inch of water and this baby might well have been just another of the numerous "dead children" picked up by the Shamshui Police. Her mother was sentenced to six months simple imprisonment for attempting infanticide—she threw it into a 12-foot nullah, which had a foot of water in it. The newborn baby was rescued an hour later, suffering from no ill-effects. Her head rested on a sandbank and although the rest of the head and body were covered, her nose and mouth were just above the water level. Little wonder, then, that she was immediately dubbed the "Miracle Child."

In the medical world. Educated at Lancing College and Cambridge, he completed his medical training in the Paris University College Hospital and holds the degrees of M.C. (Lancet), MRCS and LRCP (London). He has held many responsible appointments, including those of Assistant Pathologist, University College Hospital (1929), Assistant Pathologist Royal Northern Hospital (1930), medical officer to the Ministry of Health (1939), and member of the National Radium Commission, 1942-45.

Frank McLeavy, Labour MP for Bradford East, is a JP of the county of Cheshire and was Mayor of Bebbington from 1939 to 1941. He is also a member of the Cheshire Standing Joint Committee—who, despite their title, presumably sit sometimes—and a Road Passenger Transport Officer. About the only other facts I have been able to find out about him are that he was educated at elementary and evening schools (which makes him one up on Ammon) and that he was elected to Parliament for the first time in July 1945.

James Harrison, Labour MP for Nottingham East, completes the Socialist quartet. An ex-engine driver, trade union organiser and lecturer, he, too, was elected to Parliament for the first time in July 1945. He is an executive member of the National Union of Railwaymen, a member of the National Civil Defence Institute and an ex-member of the National Pensions Tribunal.

The lone Liberal, Wilfrid Roberts, MP for North Cumberland, is the son of Lady Cecilia Howard, daughter of the 9th Earl of Carlisle. Aged 47, he was educated at Grammar School and Balliol College, Oxford. He was Liberal Assistant Whip in 1940 and Parliamentary Private Secretary to Sir Archibald Sinclair.

claire, Secretary of State for Air, March 1941 to March 1942. His home is Boothby House, Brampton, Cumberland; he contested the North Cumberland seat in 1931 and was elected both in 1935 and in 1946.

The sixth member of the party is Lieutenant-Colonel Martin Lindsay, DSO, Conservative MP for the Solihull division of Warwickshire. Aged 42, he is one of the most travelled members of the party and had several achievements to his name before World War II. In 1929, for instance, he travelled across Africa (through the Italian Empire) and the Belgian Congo. The following year, he went to the other extreme and was awarded the King's Polar Medal with clasp for an expedition to Greenland. He won the Murchison Grant of the Royal Geographical Society, a Gold Medalist of the French Geographical Society, a medalist of the Royal Belgian Geographical Society, and has been awarded the Andre Plaque by the Royal Swedish Society for Geography and Anthropology.

He has had an equally brilliant Army career. The fact that he is descended from soldiering families both on his father's and his mother's side may have something to do with this; his wife, incidentally, is the daughter of the late Major R. H. Lindsay. Educated at Wellington and the RMC, Sandhurst, he received his commission in 1924, serving with the Royal Scots Fusiliers from 1924-1936 and 1939-1945. He saw active service on the staff in Norway in 1940 and was with the Gordon Highlanders in the famous 51st Highland Division from July 1944 to May 1946; during this period he was twice mentioned in despatches, was wounded, and awarded the DSO. He is the author of several works both on Arctic exploration and on his experiences in the Army.

Anti-Climax

Have you ever read a detective story, sat engrossed as things neared their climax—

and then found that the last few, all-important pages were missing? That's how I felt last Sunday, listening to the ZBW Proms concert. As I sat enthralled, listening to a brilliant recording of Prokofiev's new masterpiece, the "Alexander Nevsky" cantata, I felt disappointed to give ZBW a small bouquet in my column this week. And then, as the final movement was developing its climax, it was faded out and we were "taken over to London" for the news!

Of course, the BBC waits for no one, let alone an insignificant little station like Hong Kong's Pride and Joy, but this sort of thing happens too regularly. "Alexander Nevsky" was the most important item on the programme; with all due respect to Beethoven, the "Ruins of Athens" Overture the least important. The obvious thing to do, therefore, to eliminate any risk of missing the Show-Piece, was to have given Schubert's violin concerto first, following this up with the cantata, and then playing as much of the overture as there was time for. Yes, I know overtures generally start things off—but I'd rather sacrifice something in programme format in favour of the most important part of the major opus.

Foot-Note

I think we can all sympathise with the composer of a newspaper in Mena, Arkansas, who, having set up his umpteenth wedding item, added:—"The linotype-operator, while he set this, wore a pale blue shirt with pants to match, and a silver wrist watch adorned his left hand."

House-hunting myself, I personally have a great deal of sympathy, too, for a young couple in the State who raced to the coast to inspect the premises covered by a real-estate advertisement which read: "Secluded home built of stone, lighting plant, bracing atmosphere, running water, rowboat comes with price of sale." After looking it over, they decided to resume their house-hunt; neither of them, it appeared, cared to live in a lighthouse.

Can Britain Escape From Palestine?

Even if they wish, the British administration cannot get out of Palestine for at least two years. This is the unanimous conviction of senior Staff officers and civilian Palestine Government administrators whose occupation with the problem "What will happen if we go?" has been intensified in recent weeks as public opinion in Britain has hardened on the point that the British should surrender the Palestine mandate and pull out the 65,000 strong combined Army and police security garrison just as quickly as they can turn round.

But if the United Nations flag is run up over General Cunningham's Government House tomorrow, the newcomers would require and rightly demand the benefit of Britain's experience over a quarter of a century. It would be all of two years before the "baby" was strong enough to do without its British nurses.

And it would take the Army every day of those two years—probably more—to disentangle and break up the bases, dumps and communications which helped to win two world wars.

What if such an international administration is not forthcoming and the British refuse to carry out the first stroke of an Arab-Jewish war would almost certainly ring out before the last British soldier dropped over the Mediterranean horizon.

There is a tendency these days to underestimate Arab strength and to meet their threats to fight for what they believe to be their rights with comments such as "bluff" and "hot air." But the Arabs do mean business. They will fight the Jews if the British depart. There will be bloodshed. Maybe not a formal campaign backed by neighbouring Arab States, but months of hit and run raids from over the Syrian-Lebanese

and Transjordan frontiers against Jewish water pipelines, power plants, settlements and concentrations of industry north of Haifa and around Tel-Aviv. Roads will empty and railways will be disrupted, and the complex Jewish economy already propped up by "gift capital" from America will be one of the first casualties.

Not that the Jews will stand by idly. Far from it. From the ranks of their well armed and well trained Hagannah militia,

By J.L. HAYS

they will distribute armed young men throughout the community. Rifles will be propped against factory machines, cafe counters and desks.

In civilian transport already earmarked for the job, volunteers of Palmach (Haganah's 5,000 strong mobile striking force with mortars, machine guns and grenades) will provide "professional" cover at all danger points, such as the border area of all-Arab Jaffa and all-Jewish Tel Aviv. The bloody cycle of raid, reprisal and counter-reprisal will swirl the two communities into a state of open war.

Knowing this will happen, can the British go? Their stake in the Middle East is a pretty big one and is not restricted by any means to the oil pipelines which reach the sea and our tankers at Haifa. It seems that they must stay on until an international solution is internationally implemented. And that is going to take at least two years.

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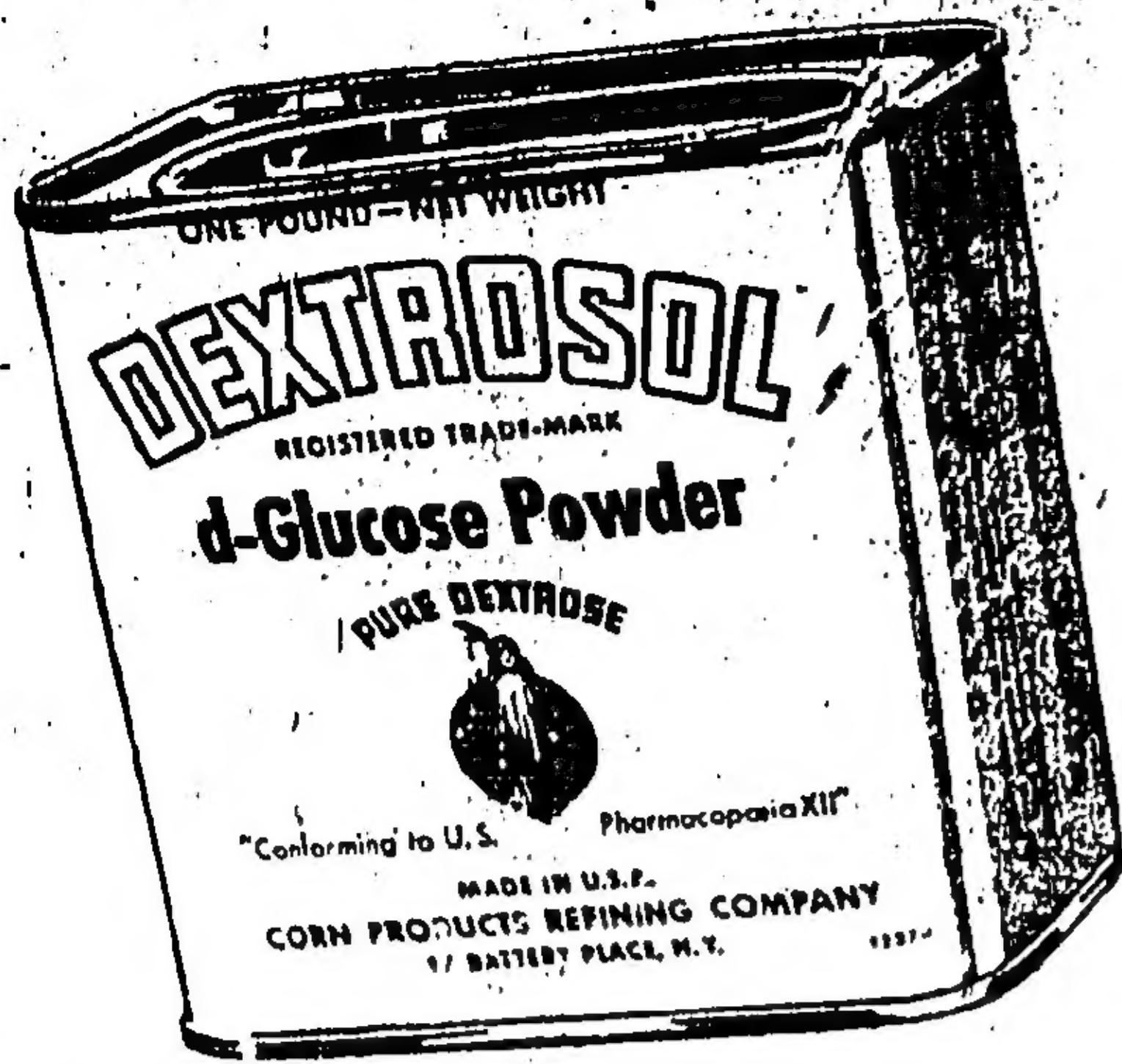
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BRITISH APPROACHES TO RUSSIA FOR TRADE PACT

Anxiety To Resume Relations

Liverpool, Oct. 3.
Mr. Harold Wilson, President of the Board of Trade, said here tonight that the Government was "ready and anxious" to reestablish sound trade relations with Russia.

If an agreement could be reached in the trade negotiations between the two countries, it would be a real contribution, not only to their own overseas trading, but to the economic restoration of the whole world.

Britain's youngest Cabinet Minister told the Liverpool branch of the Institute of Exporters that, although his two visits to Moscow as leader of the British trade delegation did not produce an agreement, "I do not feel that they were wasted."

"Our own economic systems are essentially interdependent and complementary," he declared. "We hope and trust that the Soviet Government will respond."

Britain needed food and raw materials, particularly grain and timber; the Soviet Union equally needed British industrial products, especially capital equipment, as necessary for the rehabilitation of her war-shattered industries and the development of her natural resources.

Soviet Market
"It has been our aim and it is still our aim to develop a long-term market in the Soviet Union as in Eastern Europe generally," Mr. Wilson continued. "Britain, he said, has sent repeated messages to Moscow saying that she was ready for further trade talks. 'These talks can begin as soon as the Soviet Government pay the repayment instalment due on Aug. 1 last, which had been honoured only as to half the amount due,' he said. A trade agreement, he said,

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Columbus, Ohio, Oct. 4.

Admiral Chester Nimitz, Chief of the United States Naval Staff, said today that further limitation of United States armaments "must wait until the peace of the United Nations is exemplified by deeds as well as words."

He was addressing a meeting of American ex-Servicemen. Before further limitation, it is important that satisfactory peace treaties be worked out as to eliminate causes for future wars. Admiral Nimitz said. He added: "We must also have reliable safeguards, which include inspection, and finally we must have reasonable assurance that the United Nations is a going, workable organization with all armer military support."—Reuter.

to our invitation and make it possible for these negotiations, so vital to both of us and to the world as a whole, to be resumed," Mr. Wilson said.

Colonies
He said that the economic problems facing the world were too great to be settled by any trade charter or by the action of any one nation.

"It is the problem of securing a greater economic cooperation between countries with complementary economies, of taking action in Europe and in Asia and in many parts of the world for the mutual development of production," he said.

In Britain's case, Mr. Wilson continued, it would be necessary and desirable to have even closer economic cooperation with other countries of the Commonwealth. "This means the development of the enormous latent resources of our colonial territories which, when properly developed, are capable, in the not distant time, of restoring the economic balance of the Old World."—Reuter.

Optimistic Of Future

San Diego, Calif., Oct. 4.

Former governor Harold E. Stassen of Minnesota, campaigning for the Republican Presidential nomination, forecast better relations between America and Russia—for Russia, he told newsmen, last night, will change her views.

She will realize, he predicted, that capitalism has not failed in the United States, that Russian agents have not been successful in infiltrating into America, and that the United States has adequate military strength.

"When Russia realizes these things, I believe she will change her view of the United States, and that will make for better relations," he concluded.—Associated Press.

Australia Expanding Her Defences

Brisbane, Oct. 4.

Further expansion of Australian defences, to strengthen the Commonwealth's strategic position in the Far East and the South-West Pacific, are announced.

The Navy Minister, Mr. Hordern, reveals that the Royal Australian Navy has begun negotiations with Britain for the purchase of an initial group of 80 carrier-borne aircraft. These are destined for the first of the new carriers, which are also being purchased from Britain. "Seafire" and "Fulcrum" types are being considered, but a decision will be postponed as long as possible to get the latest types. A second group of 80 planes will be purchased, probably in 1948, when another class carrier arrives from Britain.

The Pope Tries To Shake Hands



Pope Pius (right) tries to shake hands with Mons. Domenico Vennini (left) but appears to be hindered by Mons. Giovanni Urbani (centre) who is signalling a friend. They incident took place recently when the Pope returned to the Vatican after speaking to the Congress of Men of Catholic Action in St. Peter's Square, Rome. (Aphoto.)

RESOLUTION FOR BAN ON MASS DESTRUCTION WARFARE

Lake Success, Oct. 4.

Poland will soon ask the United Nations to start negotiations for the prohibition of germ warfare—mass destruction considered to be more horrible and more difficult to control than atomic warfare—it was learned today. Polish officials said they would make an opening move for the creation of an international machinery to prevent bacterial war.

The step promised to have far-reaching repercussions in the United Nations Atomic Energy Commission where negotiations must be conducted if they are to be held at all.

Besides plunging the Commission into a field even more complex than atomic control, germ warfare negotiations probably would have a profound effect on world balance, which has played such a vital part in the deadlock between Russia and the West over atomic energy.

The United States' apparent monopoly in atomic energy has played a big role in atomic negotiations. This country has consistently lined up a 10-nation majority against the minority of Russia and Poland. The fact that America is the sole owner of the bomb and can dictate its own terms has been responsible in the part for the majority support.

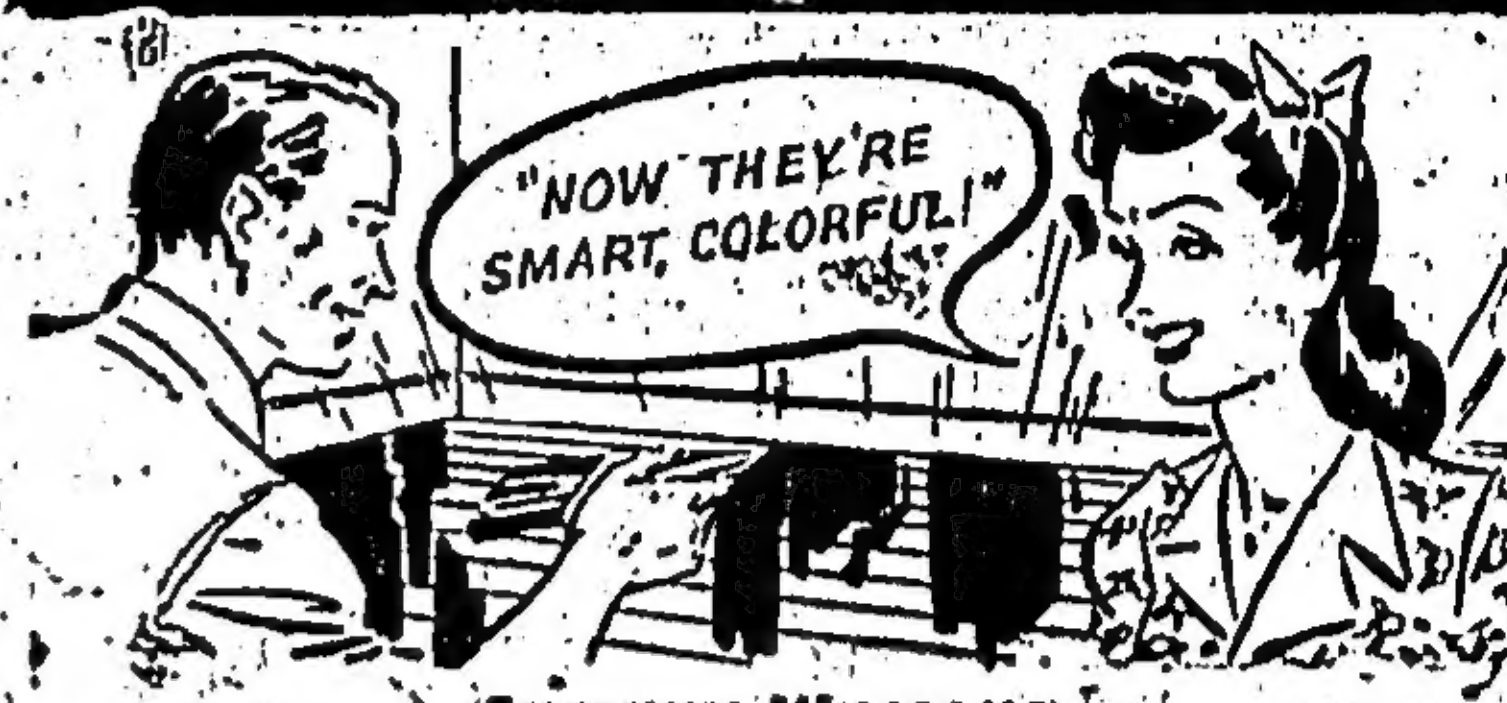
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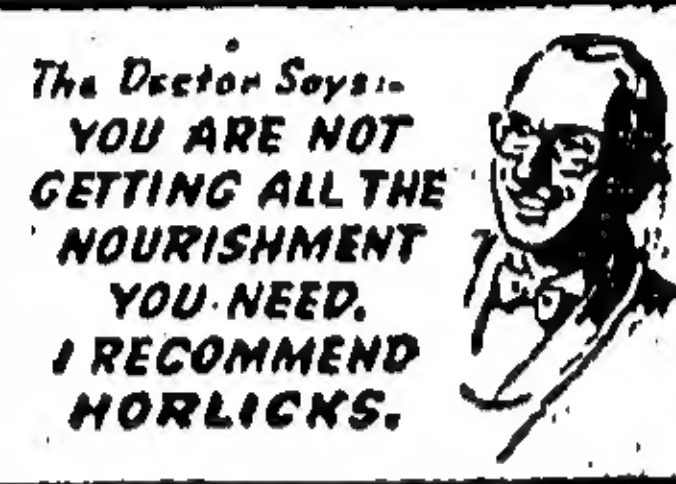
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Not Good Enough Old Boy

There is a system of discrimination operating in British Germany today which is known affectionately to those who are tuned in and bitterly to those who are off the beam, as the Old Boy Network.

It means waiting five minutes for a taxi instead of an hour, getting a sleeper on a train instead of an ordinary seat, and living in a house instead of sharing quarters in a mess.

Some say that failure to scatter adequate favours certainly means receiving notice of redundancy. Since there has been an economy wave in the British Zone the Old Boy Network has been sparking and with rumours of more firings next January the wires are getting hot.

Not Worth The Money

When an administration heads down to the level of a mutual job-finding and protection association it is no longer worth £80,000,000 a year. I wrote

recently, of how well the B.A.O.B. is behaving, but I cannot in all conscience say the same of our civilians.

The general impression and gets of the Control Commission personnel is that they are delightful, intelligent, people, but who, for one reason or another, lack any precise, cutting which would enable them in a competitive economy to earn enough for the kind of life they like to lead.

Most of the 24,000 were recruited during the last days of conflict when better men were in combat, and to-day they are able to find a niche which, if narrow, is certainly better materially than the austerity of Britain.

Results Of Redundancy

Their main preoccupation now is redundancy, and redundancy means loss of a high salary.

PERSONALLY SPEAKING

By Margaret Bradbury

Several big improvements can now be seen in the post office. These include new fluorescent lighting in the main hall, repainting of the interior and the introduction of small barriers which have undoubtedly helped in forming orderly queues and ending the previous scramble which took place at the counters. For women users of the post office a special partition has been set aside. This is not always noticed, however, as it is to the extreme left of the entrance inside the hall. The present Post Office Building was built in 1911, and officials in charge do not think that many more improvements can be made until a new building is provided. Future plans, however, include the installation of neon lighting in the basement sorting department and this should prove a boon to members of the staff who work in that section.

Yesterday "The major part of our funds is always used for work among industrial girls for whom free schools and hostels are provided." In a broadcast last Monday evening, Lady Grantham made an appeal for voluntary support to launch the campaign.

The coming week will see a number of visitors to Hong Kong leaving on their way to Australia in "Shanghai" and "Nellie". Among them are Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Dixon of MacKenzie & Co. Shanghai, and Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Hurst of Messrs. William Forbes & Co. Tientsin. Mr. and Mrs. Hurst have been waiting in the Colony for the past month for transportation to Australia. Also bound for the South, where they intend to spend some leave are Inspector Haynes of the Hong Kong Police and Mrs. Haynes.

Two very pleasant cocktail parties were held on board ships here this week with large numbers of guests present. The first, on Wednesday aboard the cruiser "Sussex" was attended by Mr. W. J. Edwards, Civil Lord of the Admiralty, who is in Hong Kong in the course of his tour of naval establishments abroad. Military and air chiefs in the Colony were also present as well as many well-known Government officials and their wives. "Sussex" is expected to leave on the 9th for Japan. On Thursday evening, representatives of 77 local organizations attended a large-scale cocktail party in the M.S. "Boisvau" docked alongside Kowloon Wharf. The party celebrated the completed conversion of three of the most modern ships of the Java-China Packet Lines, and the "Boisvau" is up to present standard of luxury travel. Incidentally, the entire interior decoration of the "Boisvau" was completed by the Hong Kong Needlecraft Centre run by ex-Red Cross official Miss Z. Carter, and if I may say so, the job was very well done.

Calling in at the Peninsula Hotel this week I see that it is now under the management of Mr. J. H. Ehrlich, a comparative newcomer to the Colony and was formerly with the Shanghai Club. Shortly after his arrival in Hong Kong, he became manager of the Republic Hotel. At the time it was dereliquated from the Services. While he held this post, Mr. Ehrlich made a large number of friends, and I am sure they will wish him success in his new appointment.

The Hong Kong Y.W.C.A. is now in the middle of a Finance Campaign aiming at a goal of \$120,000 needed as soon as possible by the organization. An official explained

Mr. W. B. Christian, one of the directors of the British American Tobacco Company, has arrived in the Colony from Shanghai. Mr. Christian has many friends here but is better known in Shanghai and North China where he travels extensively.

Doctor R. J. C. Hoeppli, of the Peking Union Medical College, is passing through on the "Tricolor" en route to Switzerland. Dr. Hoeppli was in charge of British, American and Dutch interests in Peking during the war. Dr. Hoeppli intends to spend a long holiday visiting various parts of Europe and also America before returning in a year's time.

News has been received from Lieut. Colonel Norman Speller, who went home on sick leave together with Mrs. Speller some months ago. Mr. Speller had been in Hong Kong for several years before the war and was in charge of Army stores after the liberation. He is due to retire from the Army on the 29th of next month. I understand that Mr. and Mrs. Speller have now bought a house in Shepperton on Thames where they will be moving shortly to make their permanent home.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Moon and child will sail in the "Tegelberg" during the week on leave. They intend to visit South Africa and will then return to the late Spring. Mr. Moon is a member of MacKenzie & Co. staff.

To join his wife and family, Mr. E. Graham has arrived in Hong Kong from Northern Rhodesia, where he served with the British South Africa Police Force for over 30 years. Mr. Graham has retired and will remain in Hong Kong indefinitely. Mrs. Graham is secretary to the Belgium Consul in Hong Kong.

many gay clubs, a car at beck and call, and interesting travel frequently made—certainly on duty, but in fact for pleasure, and tactfully spoken of as "swanning."

It means loss of maids and nannies, of spacious homes impossible to find in England, and of chance to buy neckties, watches, silk stockings, shoes, toys, handbags, lingerie and jewellery at low prices through N.A.A.F.I.

Control Commission civilians affect a light contempt for all these advantages and are quick to excuse their many parties with the words: "There is nothing else to do, old boy."

They could work.

I am sure that a minority of specialists with sound qualifications for their tasks are, in fact, overworked, but I am equally sure that the great weight in subsidiary, clerical and fabricated posts have plenty of time for doodling and preparation of the morrow's party.

This the Germans watch quietly. It is not altogether the fault of the individual, but of the whole machine, which is cumbersome, bureaucratic and generally creaky.

Discipline Is The Key

We are still in a state of war against Germany. In wartime areas civilians have no place. The Army of Occupation relies for the fulfilment of its purpose on the discipline which brought it through the battle. Discipline in our civilian organization is too diffuse, open to abuse, and is the reverse of what the rigorously drilled Germans expect of their conquerors.

For example, the C.C.G. recently abolished officer status within its ranks. The result is that a

Controller—equal of a full Colonel—may find himself dancing in the same club as his British deputy. This is good, occasionally, but, habitually, obviously bad.

While all civilians in Germany are subject to military law, this cannot be applied to them as rigorously as it is to a soldier. Thus the civilian yields more easily to the temptations of the black market because the penalty is not so certain. Illegal deals are not so common-place as the occasional prosecution, with all its attendant publicity, would suggest. Nevertheless it exists. It has never been the typical British impression of a spy in England. But I have certainly seen them in Germany.

Without suggesting there is widespread immorality in the Control Commission it is obvious to the observer that the narrow life-drives many men into affairs with the women. This results in some broken marriages.

The answer is to abolish the civilian administration and put say 4,000 key specialists into the Army to advise the military on technical issues. Then cut down the Army to a quarter of its present size, making it into a small, highly mobile and efficient striking force. Next hand-over to the Germans the running of their own affairs and let the Army ensure, under the guidance of the technical experts attached, that our policy is carried out.

Better Employed At Home

In this way we could bring home what they like it or not 75,000 soldiers and 20,000 civilians who would be better engaged on reconstruction in their own country. To talk of complete evacuation from Germany is ridiculous. The Germans would be terrified, and our prestige on the Continent would be lost. But we could streamline our occupation to-morrow. It will be a good thing for all when the Old Boy Network closes down.

Shanghai: A Glimpse Of Hope

Half a dozen taxi-drivers in Shanghai thank you when you tip them. A Chinese drug-store offers a "motor delivery service" at no extra charge. And one of the city's progressive foreign newspapers features a "pick-up-your-own-

By ROY ESSOYAN

paper" service for disgruntled subscribers tired of depending on the vagaries of the Chinese delivery coolie.

A few of Shanghai's public services are beginning to revive that long-forgotten spirit of service—service with a smile instead of a growl. And a few brave exponents of competitive price-cutting—though still at highly inflated levels—are trying to bury the inflationary maxim that it's better to hoard at today's high prices and sell at tomorrow's higher.

Hopeful Shanghaianders see in these signs the first harbingers of sunnier economic times to come. But then, a large number of Shanghai's residents have been bred on an inflationary psychology that works on the principle that the customer is always wrong. Their thinking may tend a little toward the wishful. With Shanghai's economic weather vane still showing no other signs of anything but cold and frost ahead, these first green shoots of a healthier economy may wilt away and die. But in their little way

they have provided a psychological uplift to a city in its eleventh year of inflation.

Inflation has turnd top-sy-turvy the normal concepts of business and trade and has made the family budget—if it's kept in Chinese national dollars—a painful anachronism. To a resident of Shanghai who abides by the foreign exchange restrictions of the Chinese Government, inflation has taught that the price of a meal today may easily fetch a bowl of noodles tomorrow, thus that it's better to feast than to fast, better to spend than to save.

Dollars and cents have been turned into museum pieces. Junior calculates his pocket-money in terms of tens or hundreds of thousands of dollars, and most of the time doesn't know whether he's making or losing on the deal.

And to the Shanghaiander periodically adding another zero to the price of everything from a hair-cut to his passage home, the joke about being a millionaire every payday isn't funny anymore.

For the past 10 years he's been shipping farther and farther away from reality. And in this never-never land of disinterested shopkeepers and multiplying zeros, if he does glean a little comfort from an occasional come-hither store sign without too many dollars attached to it, he may be excused if he mistakes it for a portent of things to come. He is, after all, a little weary, and a little hopeful.—Associated Press.



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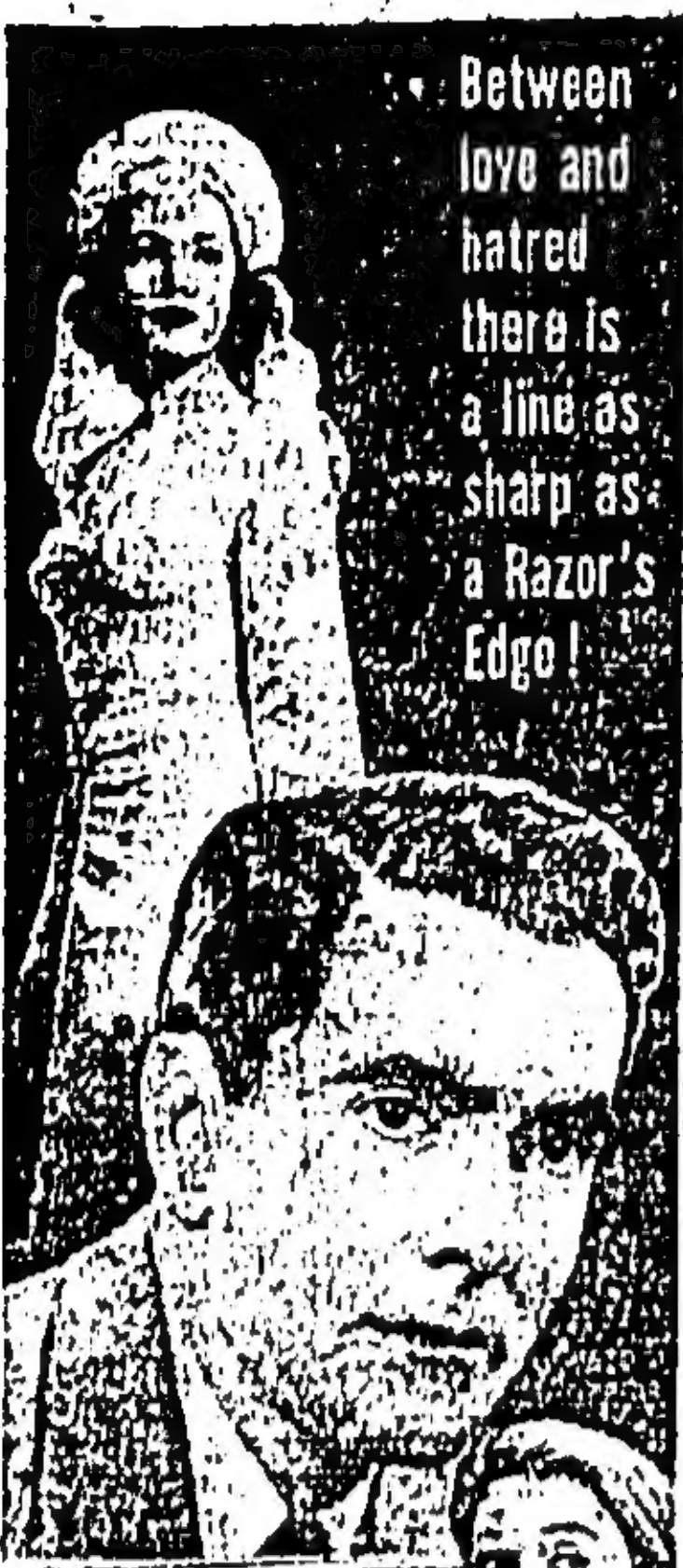
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BRITISH DEFENCE WORRIES IN THE MIDDLE EAST AREA

Switch-Over To East Africa

Jerusalem, Oct. 4. The reported popular clamour in Britain for the speediest possible withdrawal of the British security garrison from Palestine and for reductions in military establishments elsewhere in the Middle East is causing perplexity and anxiety among senior commanders here. They point out that the establishment of a new East Africa headquarters and the creation of new reserves of war materials must necessarily be a gradual process, possibly extending over a number of years.

The rate of withdrawal from both Palestine and Egypt, they urge, should be synchronized with the "build-up" of the new base area, especially since the vast reserves of vehicles of all types and of guns and stores which are concentrated in the canal area of Egypt and along the Mediterranean coast north and south of Haifa are likely to be moved to East Africa to form the backbone of the new command.

The material is at present being well looked after, and is likely to remain serviceable for many years under favourable climatic conditions.

It represents three years' shipping space in time of war, and both in quantity and in strategic location is one of our most valuable assets in the Middle East today. Any hasty withdrawal might entail its extravagant sacrifice.

Cutting Down

Reductions are already being made in the Palestine establishment. The First Armoured Division is to be disbanded, the Six Airborne Division is already down to two brigades in strength, and the First Infantry Division, although at full strength on paper, lacks 50 trained junior officers, NCOs and trade-men. These are the only troops in

Army today who are experiencing conditions approximating to those of active service, and their sudden withdrawal to transit camps elsewhere in the Middle East or their return to Home Establishment would deprive the Army of one of its few opportunities to maintain the efficiency of tried officers and to exercise the young soldier in release groups above 60.—Our Own Correspondent.

"Contessa" On Charge Of Treason

Warsaw, Oct. 4.

Hints that the next political trial in Poland will "throw more light" on the connection between foreign embassies in Warsaw and the Polish underground movements, have been made here by a Government spokesman.

Since the Government has already indicated that the trial of 56-year-old Mrs. Maria Marynowska, former translator at the British Embassy, is imminent, it can be assumed her trial will produce "evidence" concerning alleged British connection with the underground. Mrs. Marynowska was arrested last January and has been detained in prison in Warsaw ever since. She was popularly known to the British colony as "The Contessa." Her trial is expected to produce the same kind of sensations as the trial last January of Count Kasprzycki, who was sentenced to death for allegedly supplying a former British Ambassador in Warsaw, Mr. V. Cavendish-Bentinck, with State secrets.—Our Own Correspondent.

POLITICAL GLASH IN JAMAICA

Kingston, Jamaica, Oct. 3. Two were killed and 11 injured in a political clash here last night. The injured were taken to hospital. Tension was recently reported between the Jamaican Labour Party, led by Alexander Bustamante, and the Socialists, led by Norman Manley.—Reuter.

CREATORS OF FUSS IN EAST END



Mr. Edward Jeffrey Ham, organiser of the British League of ex-Servicemen and Women, was arrested during a meeting at Ridley Road, Dalston, London, (where today in evidence have occurred on Sunday, recently) and was charged at the North London Magistrate's Court with using insulting words at a public meeting. Photo shows Ham (right centre) leaving the Court after being remanded. He is accompanied (left centre) by Duke Pile, a speaker of the British League of ex-Servicemen and Women. (A Photo).

BRITISH SCIENTISTS PRODUCE A MECHANICAL BRAIN

London, Oct. 4.

British science came up today with a new two-ton mechanical "brain" hailed as 25 times smarter than its smartest American counterpart.

Dr. M. V. Wilkes, Director of the Cambridge University Mathematical Laboratory, said the University-built memory monitor was nearly finished. "It may make discoveries in engineering, astronomy and atomic physics," he told a reporter. "It may even solve economic and philosophical problems too complicated for us."

"There are many vital questions we wish to put to it," Dr. Wilkes said. The machine, he said, could handle 500 numbers in 10 decimals long. The best American brain, built in Philadelphia for the American Army, handled only 20 such numbers, he added.

Waves

The Cambridge brain has been nicknamed "Edsac" because its full name, the scientist explained, is "electronic de-

lay storage automatic calculator."

It remembers by storing up electric and superionic waves, each one representing a number, in a circuit of metal tubes filled with mercury. As Dr. Wilkes explained it: "The mercury causes these waves to move very slowly. We hang on to them definitely in this way and switch them into circuits where they add, subtract or do whatever you want them to do." The mechanical brain, in the doctor's words, can complete 100,000 different calculations per minute.—Associated Press.

London, Oct. 3.

The War Office stated today that a party of 10 prisoners was being brought back from BACH (British Army of the Chindits) to serve sentences in this country. Their escorts consisted of three NCOs and 16 privates.—Reuter.

Ukrainian Accuses Greek Delegate

Lake Success, Oct. 3.

Directly confronting the Greek Foreign Minister Constantinos Tsaldaris, the Ukrainian delegate, Dimitri Manuilsky, today accused him of being the "real culprit" in the Greek crisis.

Manuilsky told the Political Committee discussing Greece that the "whole world is aware of the fact that British troops are holding forth in Greece." It is also well known that there is not a single Yugoslav, Bulgarian or Albanian soldier in the United States. He said the United States is attempting to build a case against Greece's neighbours on the basis of their alleged responsibility for the civil war.—United Press.

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CRISIS NOT AS BLACK AS PAINTED

Washington, Oct. 3. The Secretary of the Treasury, Mr. John H. Snyder, forecast no early action to improve the \$400,000,000 that is left of the British loan and believes the situation in Britain "is not as black as some people are painting it."

This was learned on responsible authority here today after Mr. Snyder's return from Europe.

Mr. Snyder was said to concur with the general view of the United States Government that the British crisis was not nearly so severe or urgent as those in France and Italy.—Reuter.

U.S. Gives Assurance To Iran

New York, Oct. 4.

The United States declared last night that it was prepared to give Iran "all appropriate assistance within the spirit of the United Nations Charter" to prevent foreign interference in Iranian affairs.

The new United States assurances to Iran were given by Itho W. Henderson, director of the State Department's Office of Near Eastern and African Affairs, in a speech prepared for delivery at a dinner of the Iran-American Merchants Association in honour of Princess Ashraf Pahlavi, sister of the Shah. He paid tribute to the Shah and his Government for the part they played in helping the Allied cause during the war.

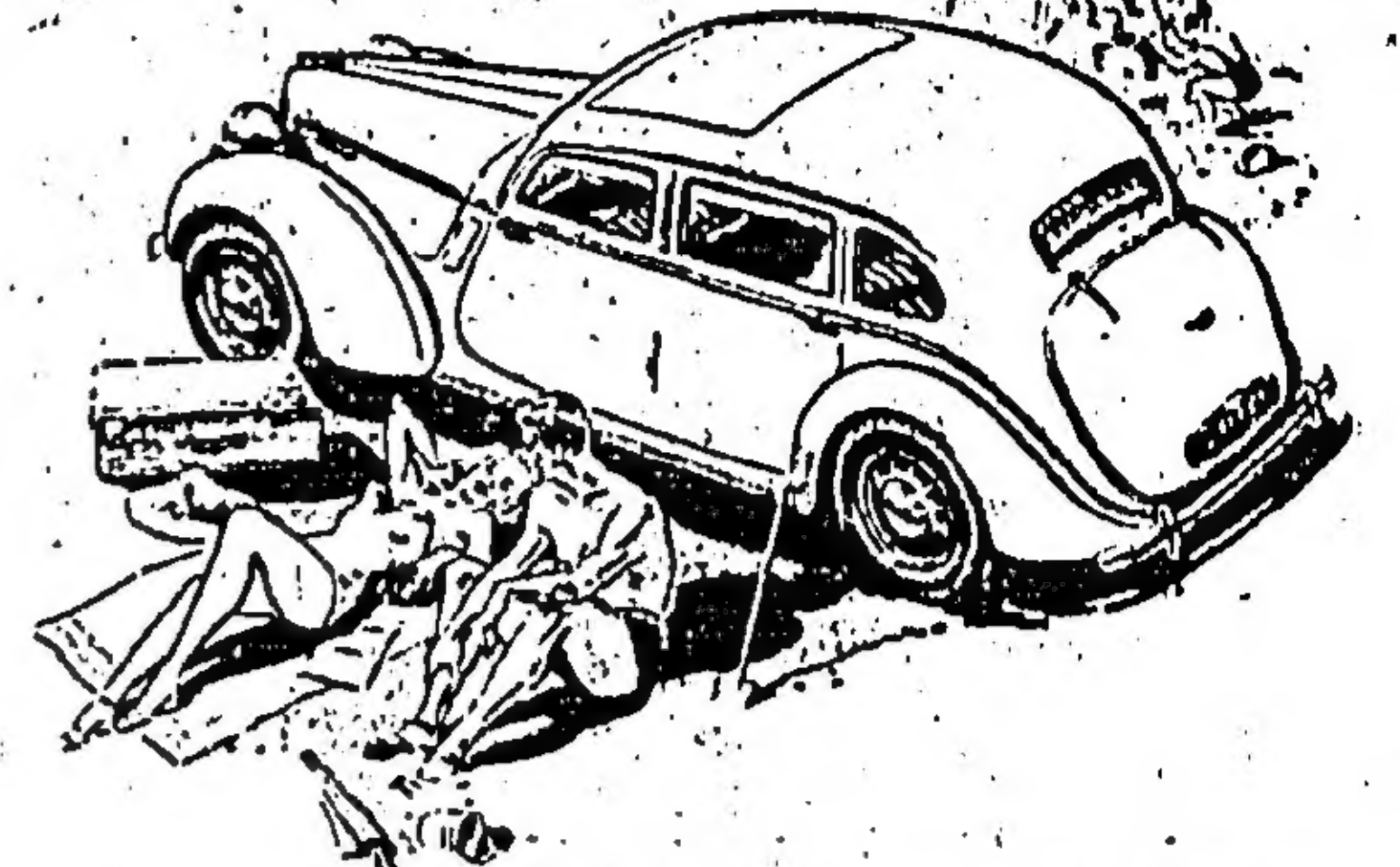
Henderson made no direct reference to Russia except to mention the declaration of Dec. 1, 1945 in which the Big Three agreed that their Governments would respect the sovereignty and territorial integrity of Iran.—Associated Press.

NAZIS HANGED

Munich, Oct. 4.

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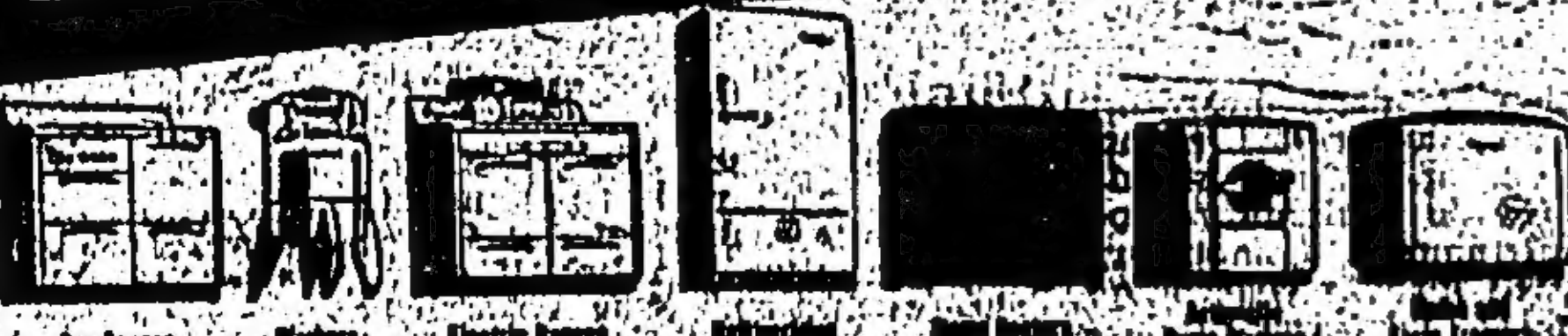
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MARDOON.—On October 4, 1947 at French Convent Hospital to Rosalind (nee Elizer), wife of Charles Mardoon, gift of a daughter (both well). Bombay and Shanghai papers please copy.

H.K. AVIATION PROTEST

What merit lies in the vigorous protest of local aviation companies against the grant to H.K. Airways, a B.O.A.C. subsidiary, of the exclusive right to operate scheduled services from Hong Kong to Canton and to Shanghai, cannot be fairly assessed without reference to the background. It goes without saying that this week's decision, making the allocation, did not come entirely out of the blue, shock as it may have been to established interests. Important consultations, between company and company, and between companies and governments, have, in fact, been in progress for months both in London and Hong Kong. And while they were proceeding, it was well-known that these discussions could have no final meaning except upon the success of simultaneous negotiations between Britain and China on both the technical and diplomatic levels to secure an agreement for reciprocal landing rights, for British aircraft in China, and for Chinese aircraft in British territories. Until such an agreement came into effective force, the services now allotted to Hong Kong Airways by the British Government were not available to any British company. It could, therefore, be urged that the protest lodged in advance is inasmuch as no concern has been deprived of privileges which hitherto it enjoyed. Reasonably enough, the local aviation companies regard this as oversimplification of the issue. They point out that, with official encouragement, plans had reached an advanced stage for the amalgamation of local companies into one concern predominantly locally owned and fully controlled from Hong Kong, so that there would be no question of conflicting interests competing for a division of scheduled routes. The effect would have been to permit the creation of one strong Hong Kong company based on Hong Kong, and it was considered that as this company would be in a position to operate all regional services at the highest standard of efficiency, it should have prior claim to these operations. Moreover, there was no conspiracy to forestall or edge-out B.O.A.C. In the course of the negotiations this summer, an invitation was extended to H.K. Airways to enter into the proposed combine, and progress seemed possible until the question of technical management proved to be an insurmountable stumbling-block. The position finally was reached where, with H.K. Airways insisting on operating as a separate entity, it was thought that a compromise might be arranged by splitting the available scheduled services. The blow was, therefore, the heavier when the decision of the Colonial Office, not only decided that the two profitable routes would be allocated to H.K. Airways, but added a further ruling that no other local routes were available for allocation on a licensed basis. On the facts, it is difficult to resist the conclusion that the local companies have solid ground for their sense of grievance. Whether their fears are justified that the consequence must be liquidation is not quite so easily inferred. Even here, however, it is not sufficient to suggest that they may continue to operate on unscheduled services as in the past, in view of the insistence that their post-war operations have been, mainly, a building-up process awaiting the time when licenses could be secured for the operation of regional routes on a scheduled basis. The action of the Colonial Office, in whipping away this incentive at a critical moment when intensification of

THE JUDICIAL MURDER OF PETKOV

By Wickham Steed

One more political crime has been added to the bloodstained annals of Bulgaria by the hanging of Nikola Petkov, leader of the Peasant Party, falsely charged with treason. His real offence was that of having opposed the Communist Government presided over by the same Dimitrov whom Soviet pressure on Nazi Germany saved from death in 1933 when he was tried at Leipzig on an equally false charge of complicity in the burning of the German Reichstag.

Ruler Abducted

About "the will of the Bulgarian people" I am sceptical. I have watched its alleged working since 1903 when the Turkish massacres in Macedonia moved the great powers to demand drastic reforms of the Turkish administration. Earlier still I remember the stir caused in 1886 by the abdication of the first ruler of modern Bulgaria, Prince Alexander of Battenberg, whom Russian officers compelled to sign an abdication before carrying him off as a prisoner to Russian territory. Prince Alexander's offence was that he had opposed Russian designs upon Bulgaria. Under the leadership of the masterful Bulgarian Stambouloff, "the will of the Bulgarian people" never, however, recalled Prince Alexander who, against the wish of Russia, then united North and South Bulgaria and defeated a Serbian attack. But Russia demanded and the Bulgarian people acquiesced in his second

abdication, and accepted as their new ruler Prince Ferdinand of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha. Stambouloff appeared at that time to embody "the will of the Bulgarian people." Ferdinand of Coburg—cowardly and cunning as Alexander had been brave and simple—bowed to him for a time. He knew that Stambouloff educated in Russia but imbued with revolutionary ideas, was disliked by the Russian Tsar. Ferdinand said in later years: "When I went to Bulgaria I made up my mind that if there was to be assassination I would be on the side of the assassins." Not less cynical was his remark to the late Sir Valentine Chirol who had been one of Alexander's friends but who had repudiated when Ferdinand twitted him with his friendship, that Alexander's qualities were rather of the heart than of the head: "You, yes. Nobody will ever address that reproach to me."

Bided His Time

So Ferdinand bided his time, waiting under Stambouloff's tutelage. He tolerated Stambouloff's execution of a political opponent Major Panitza in 1890. Not till May 1894 did Ferdinand dare dismiss him. In July, 1895, Stambouloff was cut to pieces by assassins who were never brought to justice. Thereafter Ferdinand's will became "the will of the Bulgarian people"—whom he heartily despised. He manoeuvred astutely between Austria-Hungary and Russia. In October 1908 he made himself King. In 1912 he sought a Balkan alliance with Greece and Serbia against Turkey. Yet when a trusted emissary brought a draft of the alliance from Athens Ferdinand flatly refused to receive him for six weeks. The reason was that the emissary lodged in a hotel near the house of a British diplomatist whose children had caught measles. Ferdinand ended by concluding the Balkan Alliance and in

making war as an ally of Greece and Serbia against Turkey in October 1912. Turkey was defeated. Ferdinand then fell out with his allies, putting forward exorbitant territorial demands. At last in the summer of 1913 he attacked them treacherously only to be defeated in his turn. He took his revenge in 1915 by joining Germany, Austria-Hungary and Turkey against them in the first World War.

Died Mysteriously

He had overreached himself. Bulgaria was the first enemy country to capitulate in 1918. Ferdinand was then constrained to abdicate in favour of his son Boris who, after a reign marked by terrorism and assassination, joined Nazi Germany in the second World War and died mysteriously on his way back from a visit to Hitler in September, 1943.

Under the rule of Boris, the ablest Bulgarian leader since Stambouloff, a peasant Prime Minister named Stambouloff was atrociously murdered in 1923. Prominent members of Stambouloff's Peasant Party, including Nikola Petkov, then led precarious lives in opposition to the King's dictatorial methods and his association with Nazism. They formed an underground resistance movement which in 1944 brought Bulgaria to the side of the Allies. Petkov, who signed an armistice with Russia, became Deputy Prime Minister.

A year later, the encroachments of Russian and Bulgarian Communism compelled him to resign. His opposition to its aims sealed his fate. Arrest, trial on a trumped up charge of treason and death were the result. Now he has been hanged in accordance with "the will of the Bulgarian people." About that "will" I am still sceptical. In any event it seems doubtful whether the judicial murder of Petkov will bring peace to the Bulgarian people.

MEN, WOMEN AND MEMORIES

By ATTICUS

By dint of handling day-to-day political problems one may become a wise politician. President Truman seems to have acquired this particular brand of wisdom. When Congress rose for its summer recess, he knew very well that an early recall would almost certainly be necessary. But, like Brer Rabbit, he lay low in the hope that public opinion would force his hand. Indeed, both by his attitude and by his words he gave every indication that an early recall would not be necessary.

Uneasy Republicans

President Truman's progress as a politician is reflected in the sharp rise of his stature in the popular polls of which Americans are so fond. In January his chances of reelection were discounted, and his stock had sunk to the level of 23 per cent. By the end of July it had risen to 42.9 per cent. In the popular forecast of the next President he is now trailing close on the heels of Mr. Dewey and is certain of the Democratic nomination whereas Mr. Dewey, who leads the Republican candidates, has several rivals.

The Philosopher-President

The other day was celebrated the tenth anniversary of the death of President Masaryk. Many Englishmen who knew him intimately—men as varied in outlook as Mr. Wickham Steed, Sir George Clerk, H. A. L. Fisher and H. G. Wells regarded him as the greatest man of his time. Masaryk is not forgotten in his own country, and on the anniversary of his birth and death the Czechoslovak Cabinet, headed by the Communist Prime Minister, goes in solemn procession to the grave at Lany to "salute" last May with Jan Masaryk. The grave is a simple plot of grass against the wall in the little village churchyard. It was covered with wreaths from many parts of the world. Jan Masaryk wanted to remove them, "my father," he said quietly, "would not have liked them."

"Mr. Marsden's" Escape

In the first world war Mr. Masaryk was a rebel with a price on his head. He had at least one narrow escape. In 1916 we sent him to Russia, and as he had to travel via Sweden, he had to have a false passport. It was made out in the name of T. G. Marsden, and Sir Basil Thomson, then Director of Intelligence, gave him strict instructions to destroy all his papers and all clues to his identity. Above all, he was to be very careful not to give himself away in Sweden. Masaryk was, impressed and carried out his instructions so thoroughly that he never went to a hotel but walked the streets all day. It was perhaps just as well. When he arrived safely in Russia, he opened his suitcase to take out a clean collar. Written in indelible marking-ink was his full name: T. G. Masaryk.

The Doctor As Orator

For many years I have known Lord Moran who presided at the dinner given by the Royal College of Physicians at the Guildhall, and I am always amazed by some new aspect of his many talents. As an orator he combines that proper mixture of sobriety and dry humour which appeals to most Englishmen. As a physician he has his own methods. He likes to study your mind before he tackles the problem of your illness. It was, I have no doubt, this penetrating insight into character which enabled him to win the war to husband Mr. Churchill's health with such success. I always remember his answer to a group of correspondents who during the war asked him what Stalin thought of Churchill. "It's not easy for anyone," he said, "to see into Stalin's mind. But as far as I can judge, Stalin thinks the Prime Minister is a bit of a fool. Stalin doesn't like a man who lives on nuts and soda-water."

Admiral King's Complex

Admiral Ernest Joseph King, now presented with the special gold medal authorized by Congress last year "on behalf of a grateful nation," was regarded by some during the war as anti-British. This view, I think, was quite erroneous. Like most strong men, he had strong views. They were dominated by two complexes. One was a Pacific-mindedness, because he always felt that it was the American Navy's job to defeat Japan. Even stronger was his

determination to go one better than the American Army and to build up the American Marines into an independent striking force of his own. On the other hand, he took a kindly and most friendly interest in our own Royal Marines. Indeed, the senior British Marine officers whom he met during the war had his full confidence. He would take them aside and whisper gleefully: "I've got my Marines up to 250,000, and they (the American Army) can't touch 'em!" Then it became 400,000 and 500,000. Not until he had reached some astronomical figure was he satisfied.

Buying A Monster

I am interested in the acquisition of the deer forest of Meob and Letter Morar by Mr. J. A. P. Charrington, a member of the well-known firm of brewers, Deerpark, is a dying sport, but he will have one advantage over other owners and tenants of deer-forests. His estate includes Loch Morar. Loch Morar is not only the deepest lake in Europe; it also contains a "monster" whose age is greater than that of the Loch Ness "monster." Indeed, although Loch Ness has stolen all the publicity, several of the lochs of West Inverness-shire, notably Loch Shiel and Loch Arkle, contain "monsters." They have been seen by many generations of Highlanders. Local tradition has it that the Loch Morar "monster" always appears before the death of a Macdonald of Morar. If Mr. Charrington can bag one, he will be a local benefactor. For he will have brought peace to those numerous Highlanders who have seen the "monster" on Saturday nights and wives who won't believe them.

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A CHAT WITH CONFUCIUS ON THE PEAK

You know the Peak—the place where you try to persuade yourself that the view is sufficient compensation for the agony of reaching it. Yes, my sweet-but-idle friend you know the Peak. Well the other day I met Confucius there and had a chat with him—did you say I was dreaming?—I thought so—no I was not dreaming—I was merely a silly dreamer surrounded by too many people who were too wise awake.

I went to the Peak to be alone with the "Lun Yu" and found myself alone with Confucius—if you still don't believe me try to conceive of anyone reading the Lun Yu and not being alone with Confucius. He naturally politely apologized for his somewhat startling presence by explaining that through the mist of his descent he had mistaken the Peak for Tai Shan. Of course I didn't believe him as he was wearing a collar and tie and carried a camera—obviously he had made the same mistake before.

He expressed no surprise that I, an Englishman, should be reading the Lun Yu, after all, as he so wisely said, he had already met his countrymen reading Shakespeare (but not on the Peak) so why not Englishmen?

competition has reached a high pitch, and doing so through a heavily subsidised U.K. Government-owned organisation, could not fail to arouse hostility. On the other side, there is, of course, something also to be said. The intention of B.O.A.C. to extend its so-called Dragon Service to Shanghai and later to Tokyo has never been concealed, and it is of no material importance, really, whether the method of operation is to push their own flying-boats through the entire distance, or to make use of a feeder service, based upon Hong Kong, possibly achieving the same result at a more economical operative cost. This angle of approach was no doubt the dominating influence in the decision finally reached in London. But that does not invalidate the reasons for protest by the local aviation companies. There is more than a suspicion that they have been led up the garden path. And they have a right to be resentful.

reading the Lun Yu?—the advancement of one particular type—always has its corresponding disadvantage. If you will pardon me, however, he did appear surprised that I should be thus engaged on the Peak on Frigate Harbour Island, asking if the town of some five li below had run out of magazines and novels.

By HUGH RAMON

Hurt but not unduly surprised at his cynicism, I hastily assured him that this was not so. To prove my point I indicated various, brightly coloured Dorothy Lamour, Betty Grable and Hedy Lamour, nestling coyly under the arms of numerous passers-by. He winced at the proof.

Then, showing a surprising knowledge of the all-important economic principle of present-day supply and demand, he tentatively proffered the suggestion that I was a peccator. I could only afford to buy classics. In its particular application I denied this though I had to confirm the truth of the general facts that prompted the suggestion. He winced again, apologising for the slight, again, and on the grounds that it was his habit, he had acquired during his periodic visits to the Peak (it would appear that on the occasion of his first visit the town below had been shrouded in mist and he had actually mistaken the Peak for Tai Shan).

He contracted the winching habit when the mist lifted. I could now see that he was beginning to doubt my honesty or my sanity—or both.


"Perhaps," he hastened to ask, "hope of a solution burgeoning in his voice, 'perhaps you are too lame to dance, too weak in the eyes to visit the electric shadow theatre and have been cast out from society, condemned to read the 'Lun Yu' until you tormented spirit passes.' Solitude and the hope of an affirmative answer settling the question about his wise, old eyes—eyes softly gleaming with recollection of the past through the dull metallic cover imposed by contemplation of the present. I mutely shook my head, awaiting the inevitable leading question. Can it be known? he almost whispered, 'why you are reading the 'Lun Yu'—here.' The strain and pain of the last few minutes had taken their toll of my strength. I could only murmur, waving my arm vaguely below. 'This world is Golden Age....' Chun Tze. He left me almost before I had finished, wrapped in a robe of mist, a wave of his staff indicating farewell—but I had time to see that he was smiling. I looked below, returning my glance first to the place where he had been standing then to my book. 'Hok I Shi Tsang Chi....' I almost sang. I shall often dream of the Peak when I return to England next month.

Stassen Calls For Congress Session

Los Angeles, Oct. 4. Harold Stassen says a special session of Congress before Jan. 1 is essential in relation to the foreign situation.

The former Minnesota Governor and present candidate for the Republican presidential nomination analysed the food and foreign aid question to a lower hall meeting today in this way: "We cannot permit Europe to move into the next grim winter without knowing the position of the United States. Until Congress has analysed the food and foreign aid question to a lower hall meeting today in this way: "Every effort should be made to utilize surplus food. We should mobilize our whole food resources. There should be vigorous govern-

ment action against hoarding, excessive inventories and monopoly profiteering. There should be a nationwide voluntary food savings programme. Compulsory rationing will lead to widespread black markets and lower production." Stassen said the United States should tell European nations: "We will assist with food. We will help rebuild your economy. If you only if you are moving in the direction of economic freedom and not Communism or Socialism." Associated Press.

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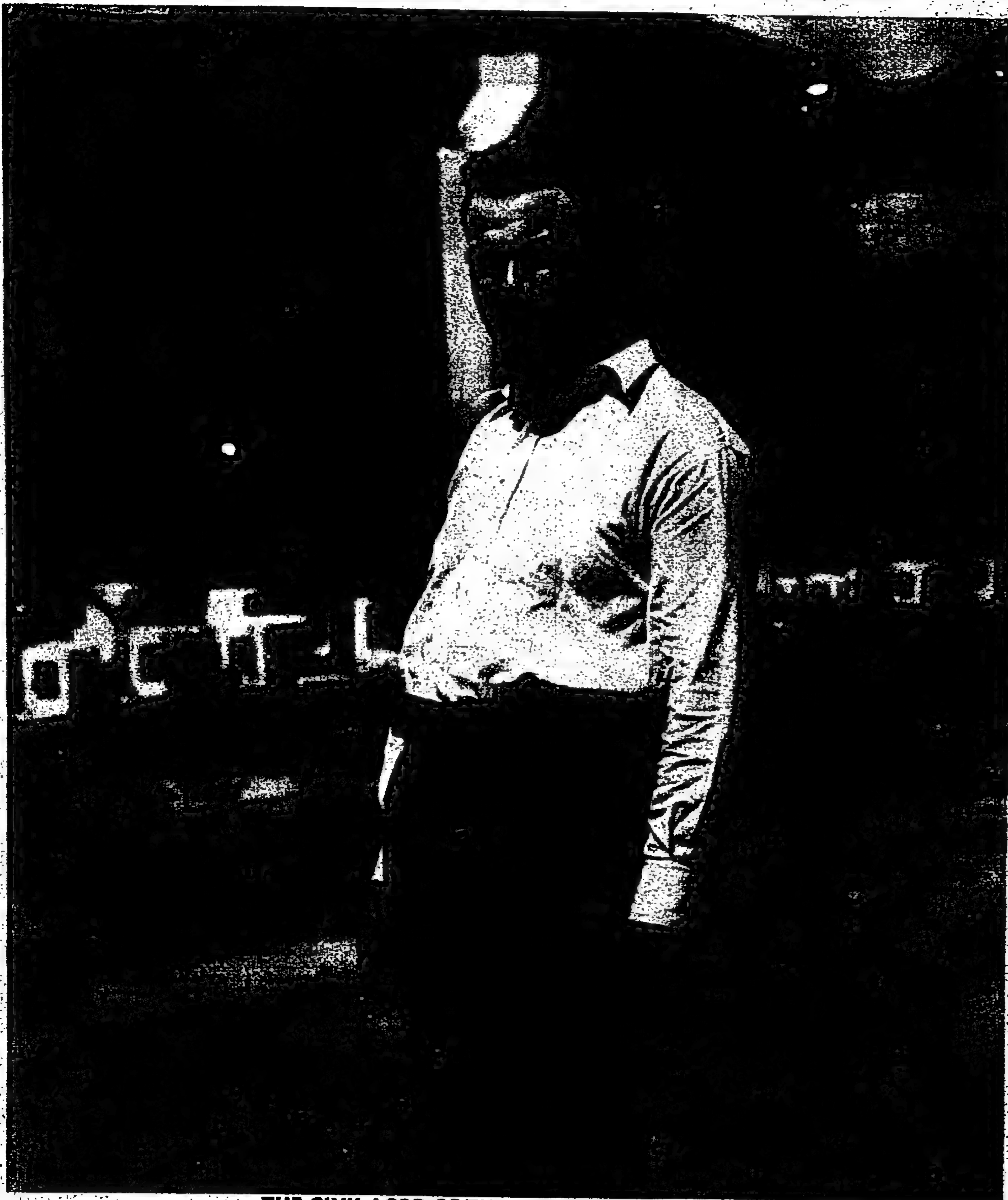
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THE CIVIL LORD OF THE ADMIRALTY IN HONG KONG

Mr. W. J. Edwards, Member of Parliament for Stepney arrived in the colony last Sunday on a visit of inspection. He is the guest of Sir Denis and Lady Boyd. Mr. Edwards who is forty-seven years of age was a stoker in the Royal Navy until 1923. He re-enlisted on the outbreak of war and was discharged on being elected to Parliament in 1942. Before Labour's victory at the last election Mr. Edwards was an organiser in the Transport and General Workers Union.



Members of the Choir of St. John's Cathedral, photographed outside the newly-restored building after Matins on Sunday, September 24th. (Kings Studio)

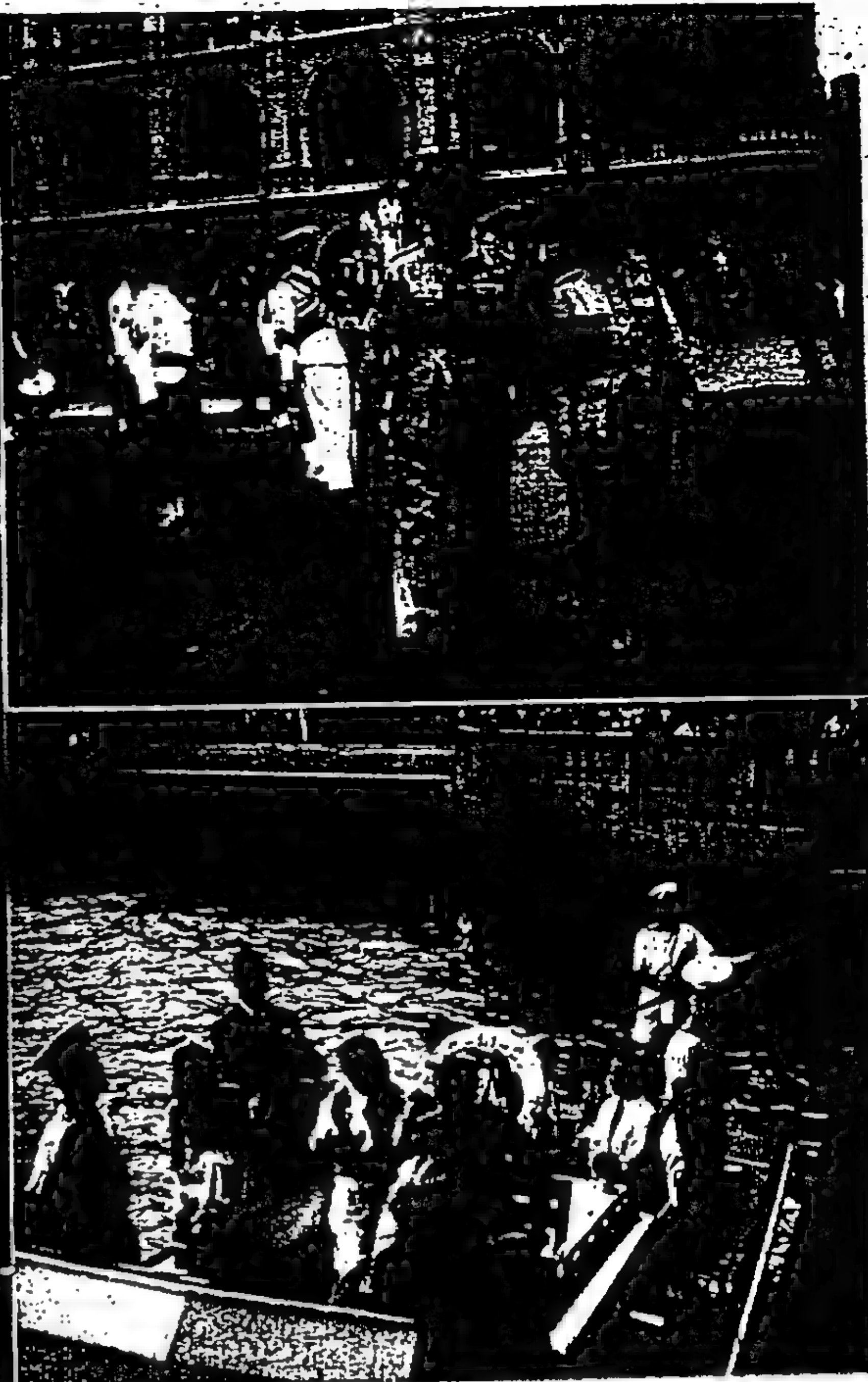


Miss Wong and Miss Tsang Wai-kwan were married on September 25th at the Supreme Court. The above picture was taken at the Hong Kong Hotel reception which followed the ceremony. (Kings Studio)



The Singapore News gave a very successful party at Murray Barracks on the 29th of September where this picture was taken.

(Kings Studio).



CHANG FA KWEI RETURNS TO CANTON

At the conclusion of their recent visit to Hong Kong General Chang and his wife were seen off at Queens Pier by Sir Alexander and Lady Grantham. The Chinese Unofficial Members and the Colonial Secretary accompanied the Generalissimo's representative to Kai Tak. (Francis Wu).



Pan American Airways played host to a large number of guests at a cocktail party on the Roof Garden of the Hong Kong Hotel last week-end to celebrate the resumption of Pan American Clipper service to Hong Kong. (Francis Wu).



Cathay Pacific Airways recently entertained officials of Kai Tak Air Port to a Chinese dinner at Kam Ling Restaurant. (Francis Wu).

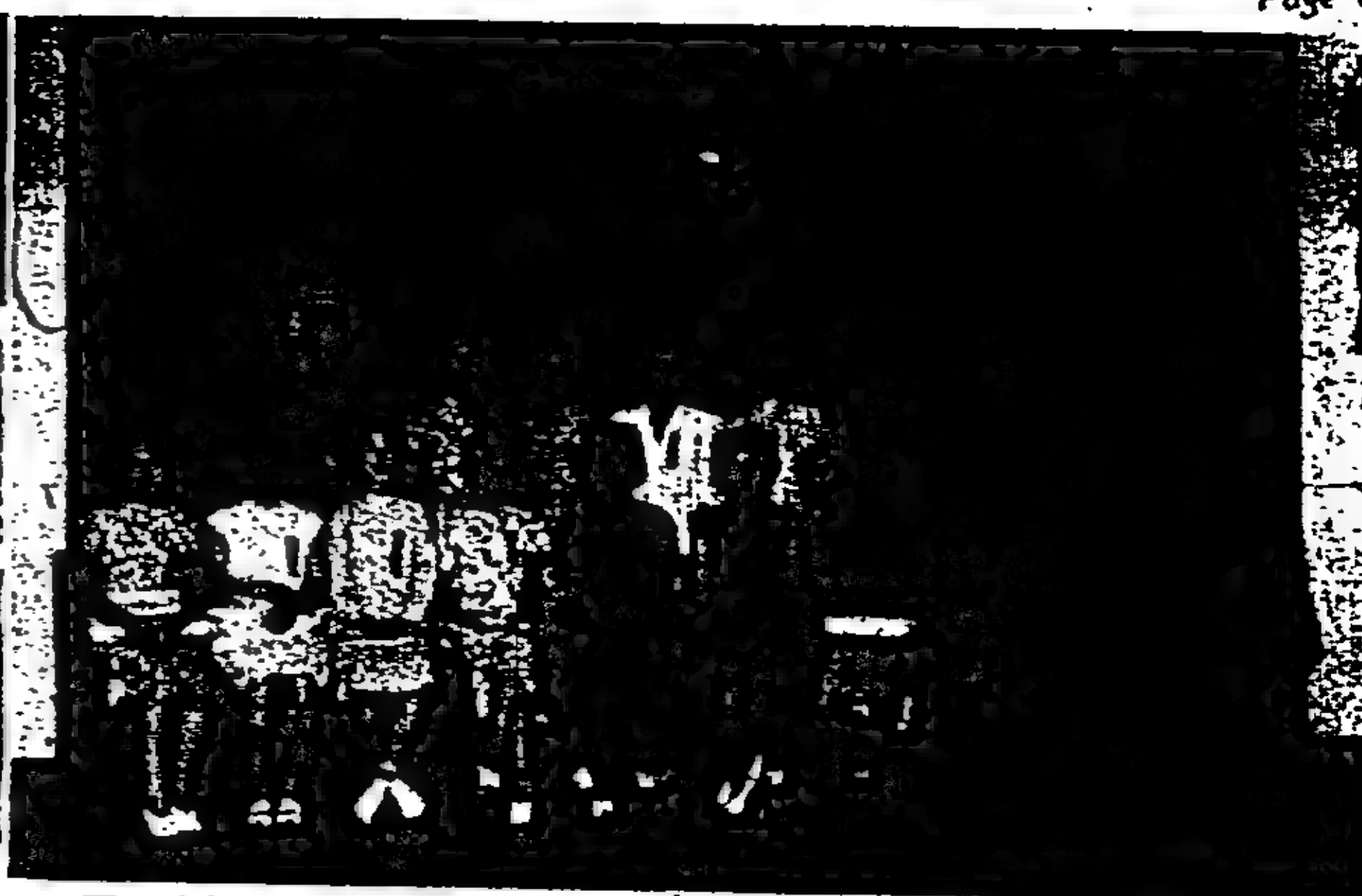


AUTUMN IN PARIS

These are the latest fashions from Paris where they say skirts are to be long. In London they say skirts are to be short, and the feminine world await the outcome of the duel.
(APhoto).



The registration of women jurors was completed last week. Picture shows Miss Ezra at the Supreme Court enrolling the new jurors. (King's Studio)



The Chinese Women's Welfare Association was recently inaugurated under the chairmanship of Miss Cecilia Chen at a meeting in the Ying King Restaurant.



Bishop Valtorta, Vicar Apostolic of Hong Kong was welcomed last week at the Little Flower Club at King's Park. (King's Studio)



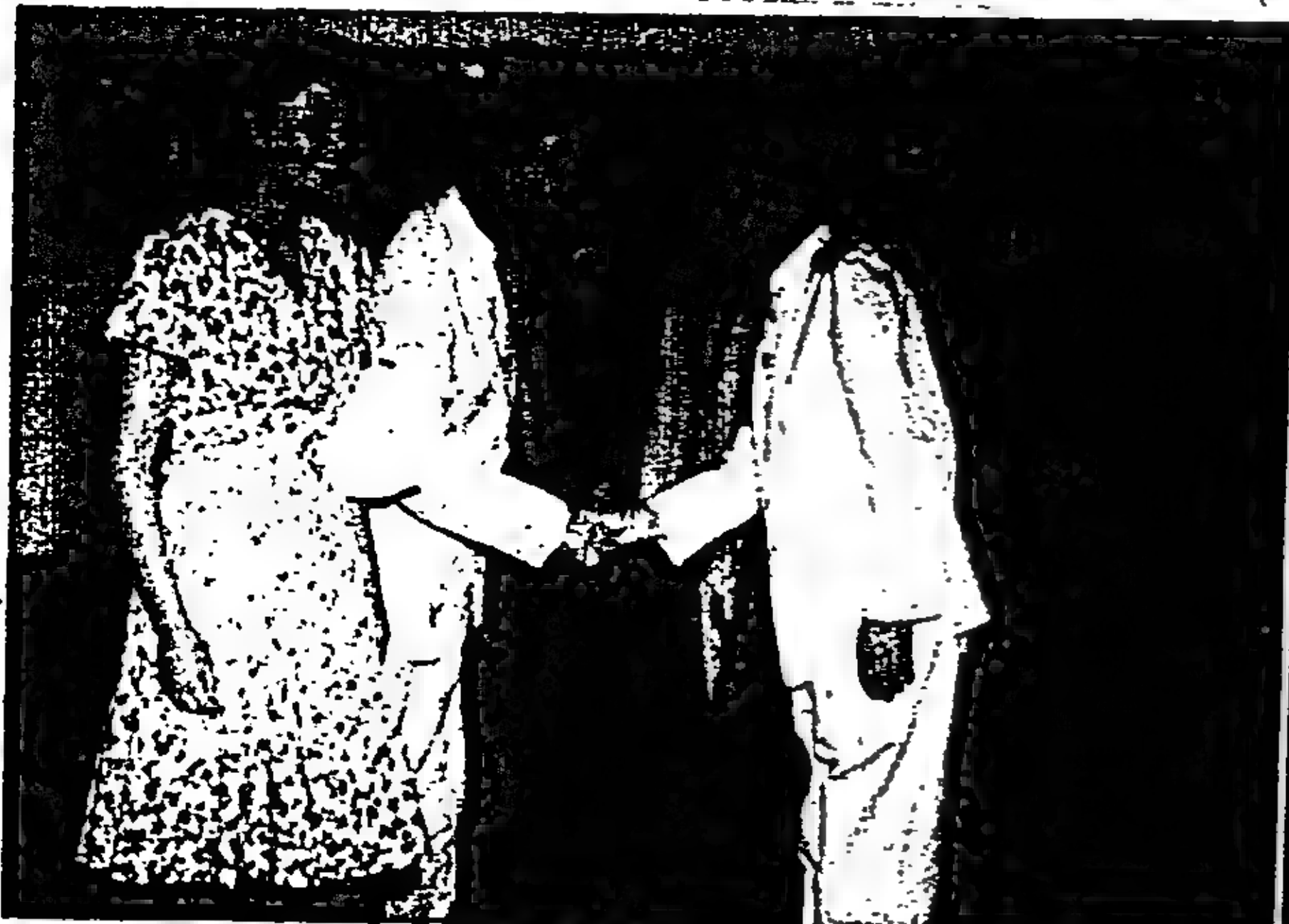
Cliff Evans and George Truman are flying round the world in Piper Cub aircraft. They stopped over in Kai Tak last week for a "look see." (Francis Wu)



A delightfully informal picture of the Governor and Lady Grantham at last week's race meeting. (Francis Wu)



Drawing the lucky numbers of the Jockey Club Cash Sweep. (Francis Wu)



An enjoyable cocktail party was held last Thursday on board the M.V. Boismervain to celebrate the ship's reconversion to peacetime standards. (Francis Wu)



(Above) The Wah Yee Dramatic Society is staging a Chinese opera in English entitled "The Unfortunate Beauty." The above pictures show two of the beautiful costumes which will be worn.



(Left) Wedding of Mr. Leonard Eurich and Miss Rita Castro at St. Joseph's last Wednesday. There was a reception at the bride's home for the large number of friends who attended the ceremony. (King's Studio)



R.A.F. Engineer Clifford White married Miss Cissie Cheung at the Supreme Court on the 24th of September. In 1942 the bridegroom took part in one of the longest bombing raids of the war, flying 20 hours at a stretch to bomb Japanese-occupied Sumatra. (Francis Wm)



Mr. Hamilton, the Airport Officer in charge at Kai Tak.



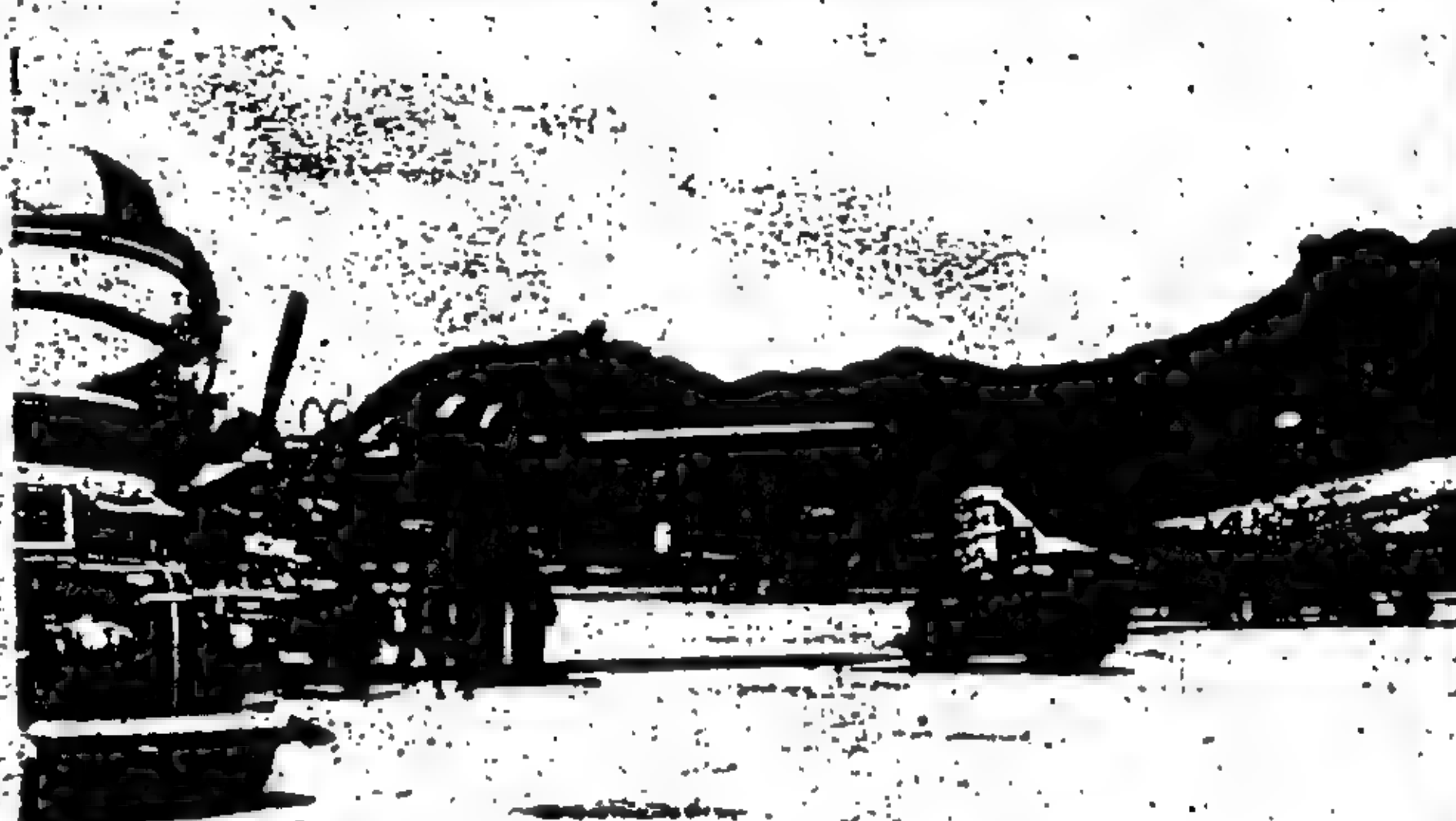
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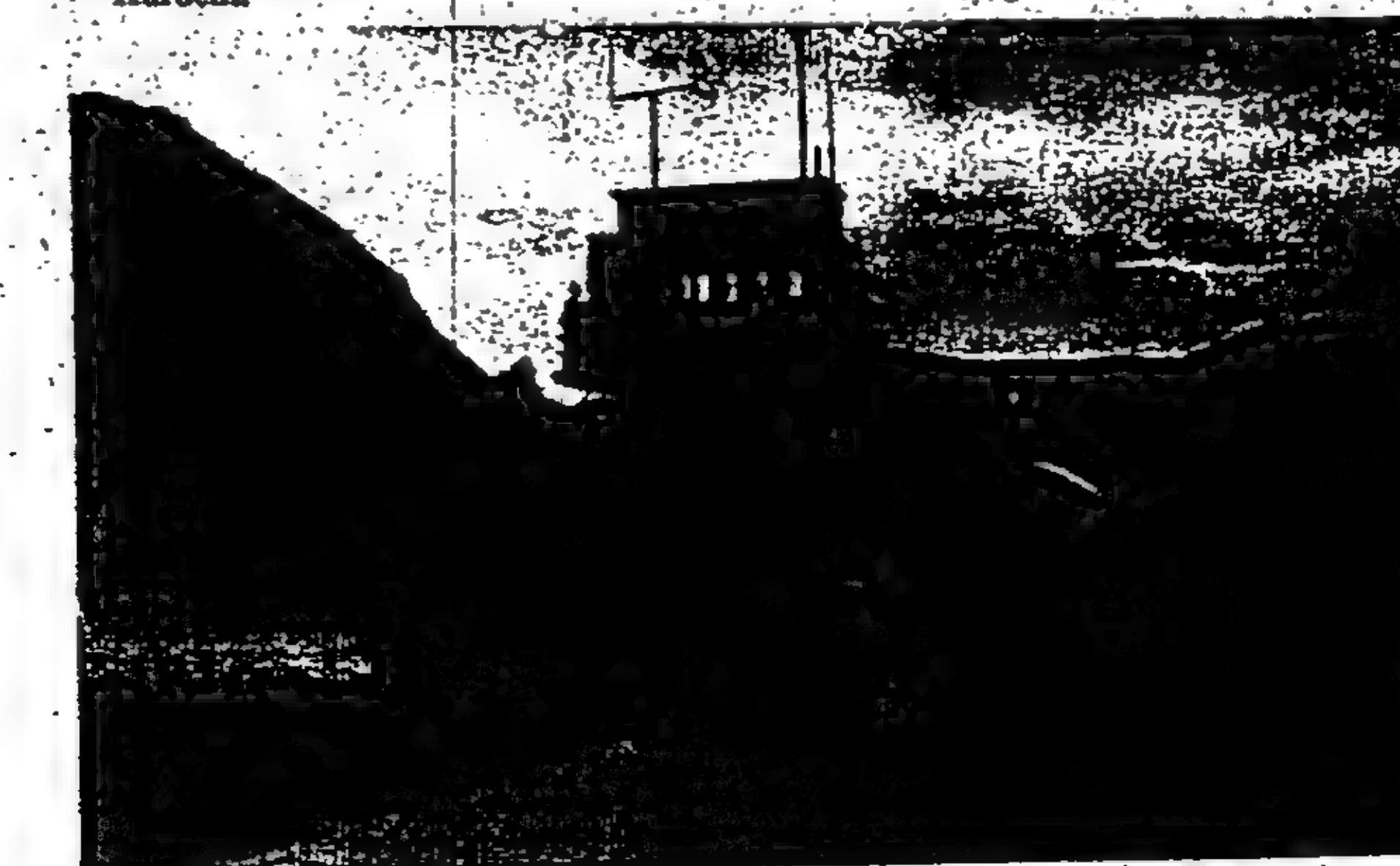
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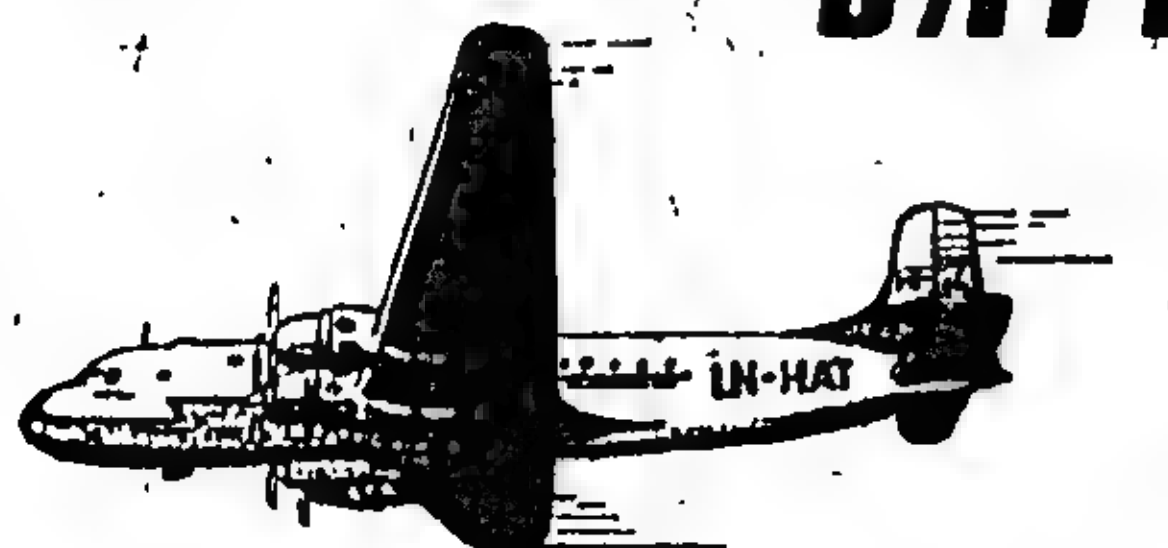
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Soviet Scientific Progress

Flushing, Oct. 4.
Russia's overbearing tough and irreconcilable policy to the United States, it is said in well-informed quarters here, is based on the progress Russia's scientists have made in the field of atomic energy.

It is hinted that an announcement from Moscow on atomic development in the Soviet Union will be forthcoming shortly, designed to startle the world.

In informed quarters it is explained that Russia's refusal to participate in the Marshall Plan, her rejection of the American plan for international control of atomic energy, and her present

hostile attitude towards the United States was not simply engendered by the Truman Doctrine or by a belief that the Marshall Plan will ultimately fail to achieve its objective, but also by the progress Russia has made in the field of atomic energy.

War Led To His Suicide

Eccles, Oct. 3.
War experiences in North Africa were stated in an inquest here to have caused depression and mental unrest in William Beckett, a Bolton policeman who was found shot with a Service revolver by his side at a Royal Ordnance factory.

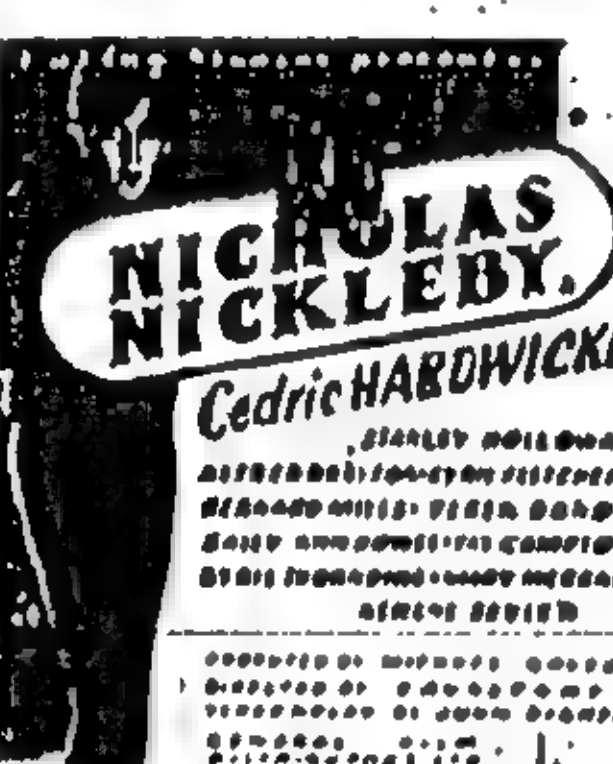
His widow, Dorothy Beckett, said that he was with the Eighth Army and was awarded the Military Medal.

After 22 years' service he was demobilised three months ago. He was quiet and never told her what was on his mind.

Beckett's mother said that he appeared to be going through his wartime experiences and, after visiting a hospital, was more depressed.

Recording a verdict of suicide while of unsound mind, the Coroner said that Beckett had obviously been introspective and mentally miserable. His war experiences had bitten deeply into his mind.

COMING TO THE LEE THEATRE



Significant

Because the Kremlin thinks that the foundation of the tough American foreign policy towards Russia is the atomic stockpile—in last year's General Assembly M. Molotov used the words "atomic diplomacy"—and the Americans believe that they alone hold the "know-how" of the atomic bomb secret, the Kremlin may be hoping that an announcement as foreboding as now well have a profound effect on American foreign policy.

Two passages in M. Vishinsky's recent key address to the United Nations Assembly have been generally overlooked, but are said to be highly significant and the first hint of the announcement which is to follow shortly.

Sensation

M. Vishinsky, attacking the United Nations majority plan for the international control of atomic energy, said cryptically: "The United States believes that it will continue to exercise a monopoly in atomic weapons."

An in another place, speaking of "atomic manufacture," he added: "Of which the United States considers itself at the present time to hold a monopoly."

The impending announcement will be made, I understand, during the Assembly session as a kind of "sensational" probably timed to coincide with the discussion regarding the outlawing of atomic bombs from national armaments.

No hint has been given what the announcement will contain, and will have to be read with caution, but it may well startle the world and create confusion and uncertainty in the minds of many.—Our Own Correspondent.

SOS WAS ONLY A PRECAUTION

New York, Oct. 3.
The Transworld Airline plane, which broadcast an SOS over the Atlantic early today while flying with 38 passengers and a crew of five from Shannon, landed at Gander airport at 12:39 p.m. today.

The pilot explained that the SOS was a precautionary message after the discovery of an air bubble in the fuel pipelines.

The trouble lasted 30 minutes and the pilot later radiated the message: "Everything now OK."

—Reuter.

Sterling Countries' Saving

London, Oct. 3.
Hundreds of millions of dollars may be saved through import cuts by the sterling countries of the British Commonwealth as a result of the London talks which to-day entered their third week.

This figure includes the value of cuts already forecast by Britain.

All the Dominions, including India and Pakistan, are taking part in the talks—except Canada, which is in the dollar area.

The bulk of the reductions from hard currency areas will probably be made up of manufactured goods, while inter-Commonwealth trading in primary products and raw materials is likely to be stimulated.

The Dominion experts will begin leaving for home next week. Their Governments will report in due course any decisions based on their experts' recommendations.

The negotiations, which have been strictly secret, have been proceeding very smoothly.—Reuter.

U.S. To Extend Aid To France

Washington, Oct. 3.
The State Department is planning to make aid to the value of \$50,000,000 available to France within the next fortnight.

Meanwhile, President Truman today held an hour-long Cabinet meeting to discuss plans for developing European relief and food conservation programmes.

It is not certain at present where the new funds for France are coming from, but State Department sources believe that existing appropriations can be tapped to avert the possibility of a total halt of shipments of coal and grain about which M. Georges Bidault, the French Foreign Minister, warned yesterday.

This aid to France, in addition to the \$23,000,000 France is due to receive from the gold looted by the Germans—now being distributed by the Brussels Tripartite Commission—is aimed at aiding over France until Congressional approval of the proposed appropriation of \$80,000,000 for France, Italy and Austria.

MENUHIN CONCERT IN BERLIN

Berlin, Oct. 3.
Yehudi Menuhin, the famous violinist, gave a concert in the Berlin State Opera House last night in aid of the Jewish community of Berlin. The orchestra accompanying him was conducted by Wilhelm Furtwaengler.

—Reuter.

Broadcast Gets Yard On Trail

London, Oct. 4.
Scotland Yard detectives were reported today to have visited the B.B.C. to enquire about a man who told millions of listeners this week that he could get them anything they wanted in the black market.

A record of the broadcast was played over to the officers, but the B.B.C. said they did not know the man's real identity nor his whereabouts. He was introduced in the programme as Jack Smith and appeared to have every claim to be a genuine spy living on his wits.

Producer Joel O'Brien and B.B.C. contributor Arthur Helliwell, an underworld specialist, were also questioned but without success.

Londoners were puzzled at Scotland Yard's failure to investigate at the time of the broadcast as no secret was made of the fact that a reputed spy would appear in the programme.—Associated Press.

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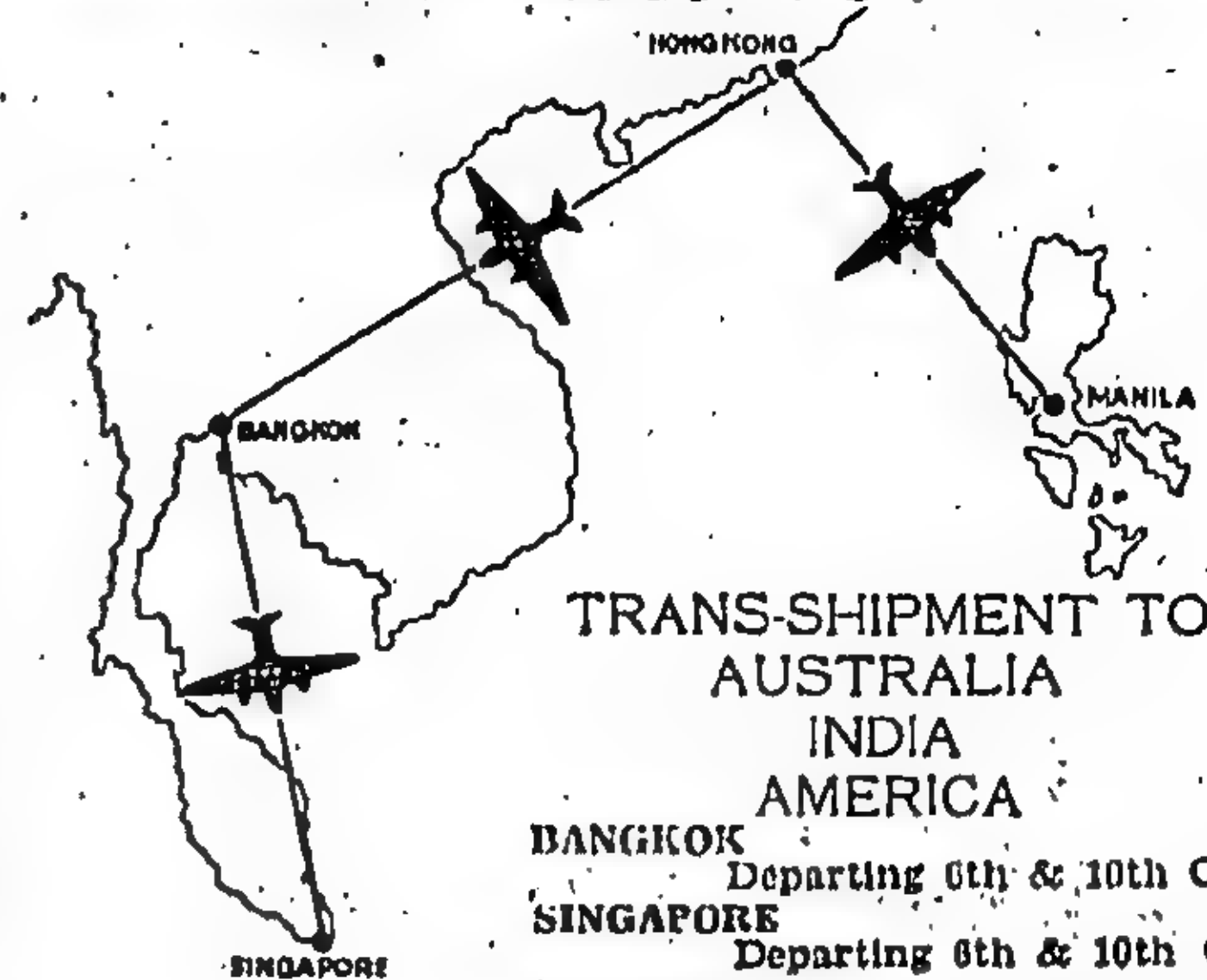
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COMMUNISTS' PROPAGANDA BROADCAST INTERCEPTED

Labour's "War On Freedom"

Buckley, North Wales, Oct. 3.
Mr. Clement Davies, Liberal leader in the House of Commons, tonight accused the Labour Government of having "declared war on freedom" in an attack against the direction of labour which will come into force for many of Britain's workers next week.

Mr. Davies declared that the present Government, instead of being progressive, was the most retrograde since 1349, when agricultural workers were "put back into the position of serfs" by an act known as the Statute of Labourers.

"That is an act every history book has denounced in the long and varied history of Britain," he said.

"Slave labour is the worst kind of labour. To recover we must have freedom and the spirit of enterprise so that men will give their best,"—Reuter.

VILLAGE OBJECTS

London, Oct. 4.
Residents of the village of Laidon, Essex, are planning to protest to the Home Office because a Fascist garden party was held there at which remarks of Sir Oswald Mosley's pre-war speeches were loudly played and Jeffrey Hamm, leader of the "League of British ex-Servicemen," addressed German POWs in German.—United Press.

Order To Set Up Korea Body

Washington, Oct. 4.
It was learned today that the United States has intercepted a Communist propaganda order proposing that a Communist Government be set up in Korea after Soviet and American occupation forces are withdrawn.

The order was broadcast by a radio station in the Russian-controlled northern zone of Korea on Sept. 27 and heard throughout Korea.

The order was signed by Han Chong Sook, chief of the propaganda department of the Northern Korea People's Committee. It exhorted Communists in both North and South Korea to set up their own Government and eliminate reactionaries immediately upon the withdrawal of Soviet and American troops.

The broadcast mentioned the proposal by Gen. T. Shtikov on Sept. 26 that the United States and Russia withdraw their occupation forces by the end of this year. Even before the broadcast was heard by American listening posts, Shtikov's plan was viewed by diplomatic officials here as an effort to install a Communist regime in all Korea.

No. 342

The radioed propaganda order bore the number 342. It asked Communist chiefs of provincial propaganda departments in Korea to distribute Shtikov's proposal "far and wide on a large scale."

The broadcast also carried the following instructions:

1. All People's Committees and broadcasting stations to publicize the full text of the Soviet plan "three or four times in succession."
2. Publicize in the press and over the radio all favourable reactions by members of the People's Front, which is a Communist-dominated organization.

3. Report immediately to the propaganda bureau all reactions to Shtikov's proposal as well as the "war mongering" charges against the United States made by Russia's deputy Foreign Minister, Andrei Gromyko.—Reuter.

Woman Looked On As Woman

New York, Oct. 4.
Hardy Amies, British dress designer, says that London is "holding its own" as a leader in women's fashions and he says it is the desire of London's designers to "feminise women" today.

Arriving in New York Amies said he believed that for the first time America is demanding what dress length it wants "instead of accepting what fashion experts prescribe."

London designers today look upon a woman as a woman, he said, explaining that in his opinion that "women dressed more like men" during the 1920s and 1930s.

He said that the November wedding of Princess Elizabeth will be "no fashion show."

"Every woman will appear in the one best outfit she has," he said, "and there will not be a lot of new clothes."—Associated Press.

GREEK KING TO BE THERE

Athens, Oct. 4.
It is understood on excellent authority that King Paul of Greece and Queen Frederika will attend the wedding of Princess Elizabeth in November.

A leading Paris dressmaker, Jean Dessès, is now in Athens in connection with the dresses which Queen Frederika will be wearing on the wedding day.

Dessès is a Greek, from Egypt, and was intimately connected with the Royal Family while in exile in Egypt.—Our Own Correspondent.

BOMBAY STRIKE OVER

Bombay, Oct. 4.
The strike of more than 3,500 textile workers, which had paralysed the entire Bombay textile industry for 11 days, ended today, the Bombay Government announced tonight.—Reuter.

The Sunday Herald Crossword Prize NO. 24

ACROSS										DOWN									
1 Value of Don't Care. (5, 8)										2 Fifty in a paper measure. (5)									
10 Rate goes like a bit of furniture that is shelved. (7)										3 Not impossible according to Crashaw. (3)									
11 The prayer meeting is called from here. (7)										4 It is his object to stop running. (7)									
12 Heraldic break suggests that you have a rough and tumble. (5)										5 The engineers are about to go on to another place. (7)									
14 Veldt mine is a cause of mischief. (9)										6 A leaf out of aeronautical history? (7, 4)									
15 See 9.										7 Patient copter. (5)									
17 According to the piggy model? (7)										8, 15 They played with Falkland. (5, 5, 2, 7)									
19 Capital scrolls. (7)										9 It says this or 22. (6, 2, 4)									
21 Is this the modern dress of leaves? (3-4)										10 Ideas run if something more is desired. (11)									
22 See 9.										16 Sporting idea of love. (3)									
24 Result of taking no interest in unemployment. (5)										18 Deals on a world scale with workers in oil. (3)									
26 Earth work. (7)										20 Sin, Get—like a wasp. (7)									
27 More about the position of the golf ball—from a French author. (7)										21 Hoped up as it were, like Roman bath. (7)									
29 Where to find prefabricated sums. (5, 2)										22 "This is the you gave for me! He's he, lies where he longed to be." (R.L.S.) (5)									
										23 Child's cousin. (5)									
										24 On the water was a famous victory. (5)									

SOLUTIONS: 10 Across: 1. Redhead; 2. Graces; 3. Power of Attorney; 4. Afterwards; 5. Zeros; 6. Stumper; 7. Cayote; 8. Fever; 9. Caution; 10. Tiro; 11. Behindhand; 12. Roundarm; 13. Bowling; 14. Eider; 15. Myosotis.

Down: 1. Replay; 2. Down in the Ground; 3. Ear Trumpet; 4. Deflated; 5. Right; 6. Conventions; 7. Blythe; 8. Sides; 9. South Down; 10. Goodred; 11. Cathe; 12. To; 13. Tearer; 14. Adage; 15. Edge; 16. Fair-weather; 17. Conventional; 18. No. 21; 19. G.P. Gilman; 20. Chequerboard; 21. Road; 22. Kowloon; 23. J. R. Cassels; 24. Brimmar; 25. Terrace; 26. Quarry Bay; 27. Hong Kong; 28. Major D. Falkland-Cary; 29. R.A.; 30. Chatham Road; 31. Kowloon; 32.

The third prize, in the category of Composition No. 22, in which only one correct solution was received.

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Those Angle Shots

The body will be on the same plane. If an arm is stretched toward the camera, a change would also be necessary. In that case the arm should be brought back closer to the body.

These are, in general, minor points, but by watching them—and by studying your subject objectively through the viewfinder—you'll be certain to get much more attractive "angle" pictures.



A moderate "angle" shot, the picture does much of its appeal to the fact that it was taken from a low viewpoint to make the figures stand out clearly against the sky.

That word "distortion" can be just about as descriptive a word that you'd care to name from the pictorial standpoint—unless you take your angle pictures with care. That's because through the choice of a poor angle you can make buildings appear to fall over backward, people or animals look like dwarfs or giants, and arms and legs seem hugely disproportionate.

A New Book On Chinese

Chinese perhaps least of all languages cannot be learned from a book. The author of a textbook is, therefore, entitled to assume that a teacher will be employed and equally entitled to demand that his book be judged on its merits, or otherwise, when used in this manner. Students of Cantonese have long awaited the appearance of a book which does for the language of southern China what Brundt and Aldridge have done for the northern tongue. The answer has been Father O'Malley's "First Year Cantonese," which, subject to certain reservations, has now a worthy rival in Chan Yung-kwong's newly published "Everybody's Cantonese." O'Malley's book is, perhaps, the textbook for the really serious student—such as, say, the missionary who is going to some small town in Kwangtung to live and to preach. Chan's book, on the other hand, is more for the student who wishes to be able to pick up sufficient of Cantonese for everyday purposes, without possibly ever learning to either

Crisis Budget Possibilities

There well-founded assumptions are drawn from the Home Government's statement on export policy.

- 1.—There will almost certainly have to be an interim Budget to deal with the financial and fiscal implications of the statement, which include an increase in taxation to absorb some of the excess money that will be chafing even fewer goods in the home market.
- 2.—There will be a much bigger displacement of labour in industries which cater normally for the home market than was anticipated, and therefore wider use than was expected of

By CHARLES E. GAYTON

the control of engagement order, with direction where necessary.

3.—The cuts in the armed forces will be heavy (the total proposed by the Cabinet is believed to be about £160 millions which is now being argued between the Cabinet and the Chiefs of the Services) and these cuts must affect British prestige abroad.

On the budgetary position, much depends on the speed with which the plans announced by Sir Stafford Cripps can be put into operation. A supplementary Budget need not necessarily come in the autumn. The next normal Budget is seven months away.

Food Subsidies
One important matter with which a supplementary Budget may deal is the high level of food subsidies, the estimated cost of which for 1947-48 is £425 millions. Their reduction would, of course, mean higher prices, and so would absorb some of the excess purchasing power, and help to bring home to the country the gravity of the crisis. But both the Government and the T.U.C. would have to set their faces against any consequent applications for higher wages.

This is one of the matters for discussion between the Government and the T.U.C. Any increase in direct taxation is generally ruled out, because it is already high enough, and because it is the most discouraging form of taxation. Millions of workpeople pay income tax, and are quick to see and resent any additional loss of earnings through it.

The Purchase Tax is a ready and wide-ranging instrument of indirect taxation of which it is thought the Chancellor may make extended use, in order to check inflation.

Ministers fear the encouragement of the black market by greater shortages, hence Sir Stafford Cripps's warning reference to it, and I understand that consideration is being given to special measures to combat this underground traffic.

Labour Control
In the redistribution of labour it is clear that the Government's powers may have to be used pretty freely. Sir Stafford Cripps said the Government does not propose to introduce industrial conscription "unless it is proved that there is no other way out." How to get the displaced labour into the export industries without trouble is another matter.

read or write it or be able to carry on more than an everyday, straightforward conversation about everyday, straightforward matters.

One of the hardest lessons for the teacher to put over properly covers the nine tones, and I'm afraid Chan Yung-kwong does not help him very much here. This is, however, a minor flaw in an otherwise excellently prepared little book, which should find a ready sale at Kelly & Walsh, A.E.C.



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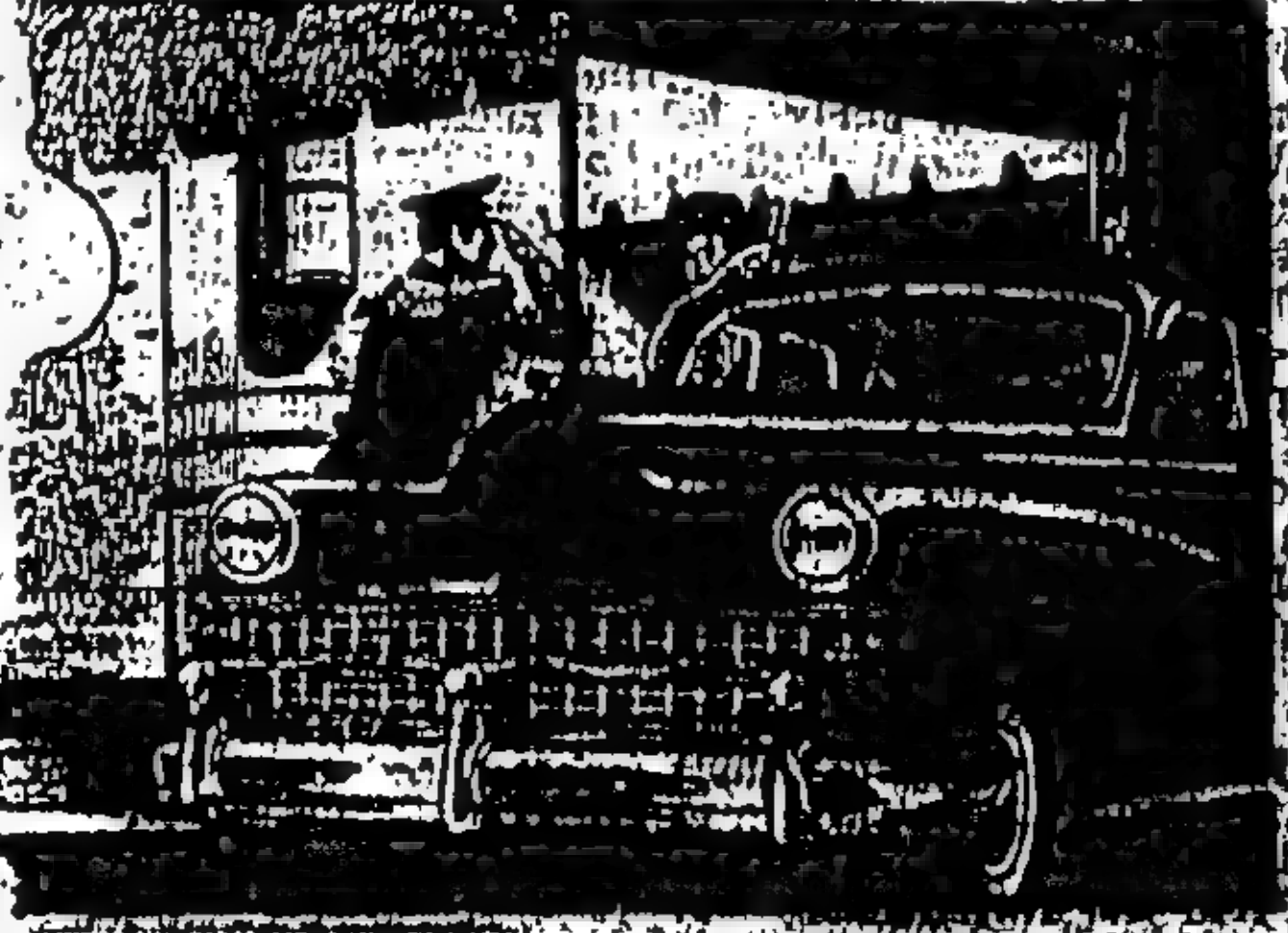
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FOR WOMEN ONLY..... A Record To Be Proud Of Achievement Of Country Women's Assn. Of New South Wales

Celebrating the 25th anniversary of its foundation, the Country Women's Association of New South Wales, recently held its annual conference, its Silver Jubilee celebration, the annual meeting of the C.W.A. of Australia (Federal body of the same organization) and selected its delegation of five to represent it at the Amsterdam conference of the Associated Country Women of the World, to be held in September.

What it has achieved is something of which any group of women might well be proud. It is a far cry from the 25 years back, when a small group of enthusiasts determined to improve conditions for the women living in Australia's vast inland areas, decided to call a Bush Women's Conference. Since then it has fulfilled most of its original aims and many more besides.

In the beginning, the sole idea of Mrs. Hugh Munro, wife of a well-known grazier at Keera, Bingara, N.S.W., and founder of the Association, was to establish some small home by the seaside where inland mothers and their families could enjoy the relief of cool breezes after the heat of the inland summer. She also hoped to do something to improve educational facilities for the children of settlers, and to bring a little joy into the lives of the women.

The improvements in the condition of women on the land have included: The establishment of 405 branches of the C.W.A. and 133 junior groups; 138 rest centres in distant inland towns; five C.W.A. hostels, built and maintained by the Association (some since subsidized by the Government); establishment of eight magnificent holiday homes at various points along the 12,000-mile Australian coastline; six hostels for high school students living too far out for daily attendance at their schools; and the building or purchase of 114 baby care centres where mothers can receive advice and guidance from mothercraft nurses. The organization has also given more than £12,000 to other societies designed to improve living conditions.

Living Conditions

To understand the magnitude of the service which this organization of farm women has achieved, it is necessary to know something of the lives of the women in inland areas before the advent of the C.W.A. Settlers lived quite often as far as 70 miles away from the nearest settlement, 30 to 40 miles from their nearest neighbour. Rare visits to "town" for stores had to be made in horse-drawn vehicles. The women and children had no place in which to rest, escape the heat and dust of summer or the winds of winter; no place to freshen up after their long trip into town. They sat around in dusty little

rooms, or in the railway station "waiting" room or in the hotel "parlour." Their amusements were none. Telephone, too, were nonexistent and a holiday by the seaside just a mirage.

An article in the "Stock and Station Journal" was the spark which ignited the flame of Mrs. Hugh Munro's desire to help her less fortunate sisters on the land. She, as the wife of a prosperous grazier, lived in a comfortable homestead, could get away from the inland during the hot months, and could send her boys to city colleges for their education.

Down she came to Sydney. She became Minister of the Crown in their offices. She saw the Minister for Lands and painted him such a vivid picture of women and children starving for a sight of the sea that he promised her land at coastal resorts and at points accessible from inland areas—a promise which has been faithfully kept. She saw the Minister for Health, and to him she said:

"I suppose I'm not allowed to do this, since I'm not a trained nurse, but I'm starting a hospital for bush mothers at Bingara. And don't anyone try to stop me."

"Of course you're not allowed to do it," he replied, "but we'll help you." It was established—the first of many to be established in remote places all over the State of New South Wales. Mrs. Munro, and others of like enthusiasm within the infant organization, campaigned up and down the country, using their own cars, paying their own expenses. They climbed mountains, forded flooded creeks, drove through howling dust-storms, slept out under the stars when they were bogged down on impassable roads.

By the end of the first year they had established 68 branches, 17 social clubs and rest centres for mothers and babies in small towns. They had bought—and paid for—their first seaside holiday home at Dee Why on the Pacific coast just north of Sydney, and lovingly named it "Keera" after the founder's station home.

In Two Years

After two years of ceaseless toil, which entailed over 100,000 miles of travelling, the C.W.A. had 4,500 members and 100 branches established. Its members began to expand their aims. They wanted adequate water supplies in country towns, running water in every farm homestead; telephone services in small part-time exchanges, hobbies and handicrafts to add to the social attractions of clubrooms in country towns; an emergency housekeeper service.

"They organized first-aid and advanced nursing classes, gave cooking demonstrations, arranged hospital visiting on a roster system and generally showed their members how much each could do to help the other. They brought joy and interest and companionship into thousands of lives.

Best of all, the number of their members increased to eight, established at key points along the Australian coastline. Outstanding achievement of the war years was the swiftness with which the C.W.A. had supplied 237,508 camouflage nets, nearly half the Government's requirements. They formed a Sheepskin Vest Committee and sent more than 40,000 fleecy vests to Australian fliers operating overseas in cold climates.

Establishment of the first Service Women's Club in N.S.W. was another C.W.A. wartime activity. It was recognized that, with more and more country girls entering the services, something must be done about establishing a city club for them. So an old mansion was bought and reconstructed in Darlinghurst, not 10 minutes' tram ride from Sydney.

Australia has a slogan to-day: "Give it to the C.W.A. for country women will always get the job done."

Soft rubber articles can be preserved if they are suspended several inches above a dish in which a small quantity of kerosene is placed. The vapor arising will prevent cracking without harming the rubber.

Rewarding Literature

That we must select carefully, we must know the nature of good literature. Literature truly deserving of the name is, according to Matthew Arnold, "the best that has been thought and said in the world."

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From midnight through to the rosy dawn.
And yet I am told to believe this true,
My life is heaven now that I've you.
Away to your bottle, you loathsome child!
Must I insult on injury be piled?

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

Note for winter: Wash your hot-water bottle occasionally in water to which a little soda has been added. If done about every other month it will prevent hardening and splitting.

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When laundering curtains, wash as usual. Don't wring out the water—hang the garment up to dry immediately. Instead of ironing it, brush it vigorously, going with the nap, with a stiff brush.

Another washing-day note: When hanging clothes on a hanger to put on the line, put each piece of clothing on two hangers, with the hangers reversed, so that when the hangers are put on the line they can't fall or blow off.

To remove coffee stains from washable material, brush the spot with glycerine or rub with butter. Then wash the garment and press it on the wrong side.

Restoring gilt frames to their former freshness is easy if you rub them with a small sponge moistened with oil of turpentine, which soon evaporates.

To iron monograms on your precious pillow slips, place the slip monogram side down on a Turkish towel. Iron on the wrong side of the slip until dry.

If alcohol has been spilled on your polished furniture, you can remove the stain by rubbing it with some olive oil.

An unused stamp can be removed from an envelope by dipping the corner containing the stamp in boiling water for a minute. It will slip off easily, leaving glue enough on the stamp to use it again.

Heated strained honey, flavoured with mace and cloves, makes a delicious topping for hot biscuits, waffles or pan-cakes.

Try this next time you're caught without your galoshes: Leather shoes won't harden after a bad wetting if they're washed with warm water and then rubbed well with castor oil.

Complete Winter Range

Mme Dobry's small salon on the 2nd floor of the Gloucester Hotel is quite a surprise. For she is now stocking practically everything you could possibly need in the way of clothing—and all the very best quality, and in latest style.

A new line she has only recently adopted is her large range of accessories. She has imported artificial flowers, in all colours, and she is showing just now a combination head band and belt, which can be used as a bandeau or a belt for evening wear. Among her costume jewellery there is a specially lovely cameo set of ear-rings, brooch and bracelet, perfect cameo beautifully set in gold.

Her lingerie pieces are a dream. She has both sets and single garments, mostly American-made. Another feature are her brassieres and she has a large stock of both ordinary and strapless ones for the new bare-shoulder styles.

And when you see her nylon jumpers and raincoats, you'll wonder why somebody didn't think of nylon way back. The jumpers look and feel just like the fleeciest angora wool, but they are much lighter, and the "fluff" of ordinary angora cannot spoil your suits and skirts. Her nylon raincoats are just perfect—completely waterproof, and yet they look like a light topcoat! They really are the answer to a woman's prayer.

Mme Dobry's main interest, at the moment, is in her bridal arrangements. She is selling pearl-trimmed bridal crowns, or, if you wish, the traditional orange-blossom done as a small tiara. She is one of the new few firms here who receive regular copies of "Bride's" American magazine, which shows the latest fashions for the girl of the moment to wear on her greatest day. To ensure perfection in her wedding-day creations, Mme. Dobry has imported white satin in two shining qualities.

And of course she is preparing for the winter to come by her varied range of suits and topcoats. She has two styles of suits, one with a long slenderizing jacket, and the other with the new battle-dress type of jacket, caught in at the waist. Her camel-hair overcoats come in either single or double-breasted styles, both in a variety of pastel colors.

In addition she has a complete range of sportswear, including black gabardine slacksuits, separate blouses and jackets, and pullovers and cardigans for the hardy sportswoman during the cold months.

What else could you want in the way of clothes? They're all there, in Mme. Dobry's salon in the Gloucester Hotel.

Ada Lum Dolls

A new importation of Eileen Kershaw's from Shanghai are six quaint little Ada Lum dolls. She has christened them Mimi, Didi, and The Farmer. The Farmer is especially sweet, with a straw hat and tiny, technically-accurate straw shoes.

Ada Lum dolls are famous all over the world. For one thing, their absolute correctness of detail makes them highly prized. For another thing, they are not only unique, but also washable, which is a distinct advantage. They are perfect for either playthings or decorative and unusual ornaments and souvenirs.

Eileen Kershaw hopes to get some Ada Lum aprons from Shanghai by the end of this month. These aprons are embroidered with Chinese motifs, simple and quaint and utterly charming. The aprons fit into an ordinary envelope, which, with Christmas only two months away, makes them a very bright idea for Presents for Home.

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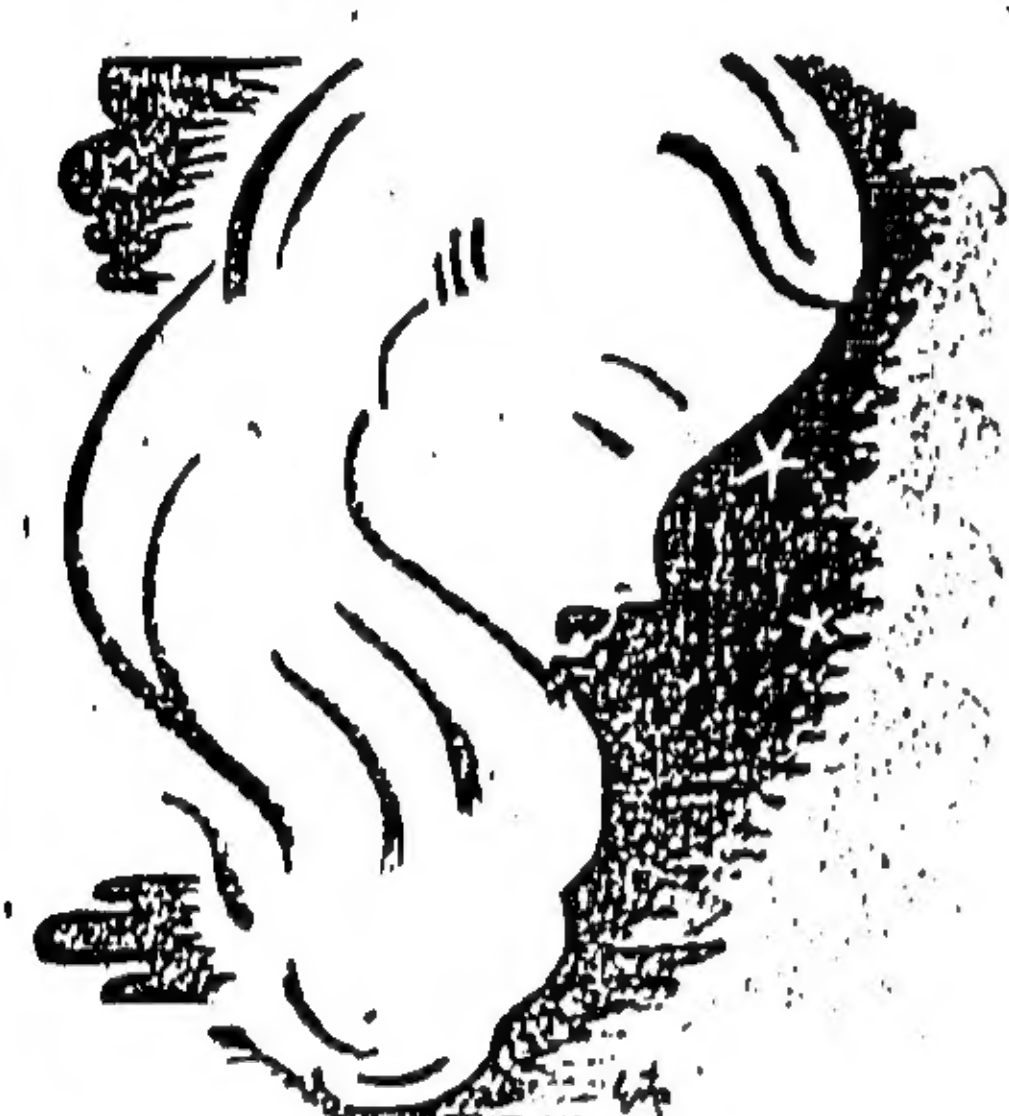


Look what fashion has in store now—new short pyjamas, ideal for warm weather wear. This is the most practical and pretty idea for a long time and will appeal to smart girls everywhere.

The pyjamas are the simplest things imaginable and, as you can see from the illustration, they look delightful. They resemble some of the suits worn this year, with their drawing neck, cap sleeves, bare midriff and cute short trousers. The trousers reach to just above the knee and are very full, so that they look like a short skirt. They are guaranteed to flatter the most difficult of figures. Brightly hued flowers are splashed on backgrounds of apricot and blue.

For glamour, imitate the American girl's latest costume—jelly idea. New masses of coloured flowers on black velvet ribbon for a throat-hugging necklace and a matching bracelet. Make earrings with little black bows to match, using an old pair of earrings as a base. The cost is small—the result terrific!

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Backward Looks Count, Too

How many times a day do you look into a mirror? More times than can easily be counted, I expect, for few women can ever pass a mirror without taking a glance at themselves, however fleeting the opportunity. It is not vanity which inspires us to do so, but a desire to make sure that everything about us, as far as we can see it, is as it should be. So long as we do not become self-conscious about it, it's a good idea to take an interest in the neatness of her appearance.

Unfortunately, these reassuring looks are almost always confined to the front view only, and what the eye does not see is all too often the very aspect which may have reason to cause the heart to grieve. If some good friend could "the gift give us," from the back as well as from the front, we might well be the recipients of several unpleasant shocks.

To prove my point, take the next opportunity of watching people pass you and notice how seldom the back views live up to the standard of care and attention which has been bestowed upon the front.

Hair, perhaps, will reveal the most disappointing contrasts of all. Beautifully dressed in front, with waves and curls becomingly arranged, but what a difference when the lady passes by and we can see the straggly ends, the rolls which have frayed out or the dark and greasy looking crown! If she favours an up-swept style she may be blessed with the kind of hair which curls into entrancing tendrils on the neckline but she is far more likely to have a straight wisp or two waving in the breeze or hanging down dejectedly.

And now that the cooler weather is at hand and our summer prints will be giving place to darker shades and plain colours, we are sure to notice someone who has forgotten to brush away with scrupulous care those specks of dandruff which are the worst possible decoration for the shoulders of a smart frock.

Many an otherwise charming ensemble is ruined by lack of attention to the fit and finish of the back. It is so much easier to see that the front is perfect, that those small tightnesses across the shoulder blades or ribs, those small creases at the waist, are easily overlooked. How many a well tailored and well fitting skirt is really just a little too well fitting at the back... when someone else is looking at it, of course. It may even develop a sad little seat of it's own, unless carefully watched.

Hems are another danger line. I am sure that many an owner of an uneven hemline would be quite horrified if she only knew that her skirt "went up" at the back, more especially if there is an odd inch of slip showing beneath it.

Knees are a subject upon which I hold particularly strong views. Revealed in shorts, or

playaits they may be beautiful covered with softly draped or pleated skirts, they may be seductive and alluring. I will concede that rounded, dimpled knees can look attractive in skirts that partly show them, but I defy any pair of knees, however lovely in themselves, to appear to the best advantage, viewed from the back, in skirts which stop just above the bend.

Stocking seams and heels are the last, but not the least of this category of rear view pitfalls. A good pair of legs can be made to look holed, or knock-kneed in a trice, by seams which diverge from the perpendicular. And heels! We all know that in correct walking the backs of the heels are worn down at the outer edges, but there is no need to advertise the fact that we do walk properly by carrying the evidence around with us!

There is an old saying to the effect that a woman's most candid friend is her mirror... always provided she doesn't wear rose tinted spectacles when she looks into it. I would go further and suggest that the only really candid friend is two mirrors, so placed as to give us a clear reflection of the back view. Such an arrangement is a boon to any woman who aims at looking her best from all angles.

—CLAUDIA

Make-Up For An Oval Face

You are lucky if you are born with an oval face for it is considered to be 'ideal' by photographers and make-up artists all over the world, and giving them their due, they do know something about faces.

In this article we shall endeavour to illustrate the correct make-up and hair style for an oval type of face.

Study the two illustrations. Figures A & B. These are the outlines of a face which can be called as near perfect oval as possible. Fig. A represents WRONG MAKE-UP and Fig. B illustrates the RIGHT MAKE-UP for this type of face.

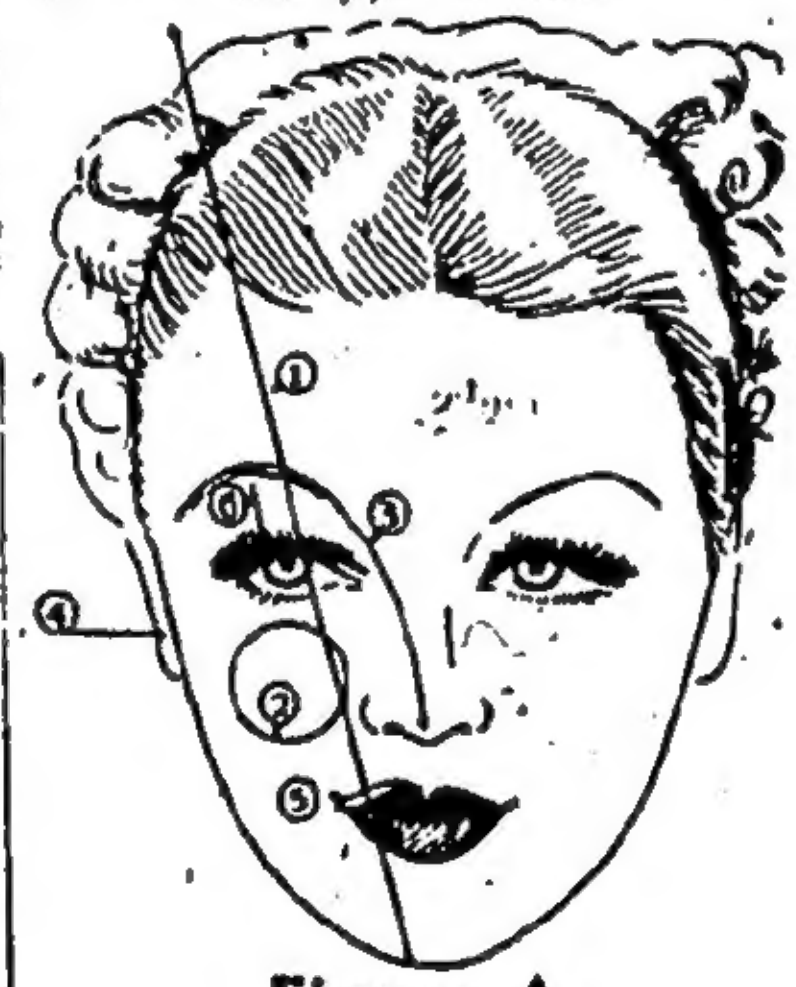


Figure A

First of all note the hair styles. In Fig. A, the hair is drawn back. The forehead, the temples and the ears are laid bare. (See 1 & 4.) The style, on the whole, adds unwanted length to the face and is therefore not suitable. On the other hand, the style in Fig. B decidedly accentuates the oval of the face which is our objective. This, however, does not mean that no other hair-style will suit an oval face.

The area marked (2) in both the illustrations is for the rouge. You will notice that in Fig. A, the rouge, if thus applied, will be too near the nose and will be too round. This will give a

LATEST PARISIAN HAIRSTYLE



This hairstyle, called "Recamier" and inspired by the styles of the Directoire period, was unveiled by top-ranking Paris coiffeur Antonio a few days ago as "The Style for the Coming Winter." (A Photo).

Max Factor Advice

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The leather bindings of valuable books can be prevented from decaying by applying thin coatings of egg albumen (the whites of eggs). After the whites have been thoroughly beaten, they can be made antiseptic by adding a small quantity of camphor, thymol or some essential oil. Vaseline also proves effective as a leather preservative, but its use should be governed by the texture of the leather.

To save time and precious minutes, try placing nuts destined for cakes or biscuits in a cloth and running a rolling pin over them. No trouble about chopping your fingers and the nuts, then.

For the glue bottle: an excellent substitute cork is the stump of an old candle. It will not stick and the glue cannot spill.



Figure B

"puffy" appearance to the cheeks which is definitely not desirable. In Fig. B, the rouge starts almost from the centre of the cheek and is carried upwards to the temple and down to where the chin starts. This again is to accentuate the oval of the face.

Now we come to the eyebrows. In Fig. A the eyebrows are too fine and too arched, which widens the area between the upper lashes and the eye-brows. This is not so flattering for this type of face. Some idea of the arch in this case can be had from the arrow drawn from the outer end of the eye-brow to the tip of the nose (See 3 & 6).

In Fig. B, the eye-brows are not so arched and appear proportionate with the rest of the face. Also the distance between the upper lashes and the eye-brows is just right, in fact ideal.

Lastly we come to the mouth. In Fig. A, the Cupid's Bow (5) is too pronounced and thus the mouth looks unnatural, whereas in Fig. B the mouth looks both natural and soft.

On the whole, the Fig. A portrays a rather hard and unnatural expression on the face, whereas Fig. B is illustrative of a natural and soft expression, which is the ultimate objective of any make-up.

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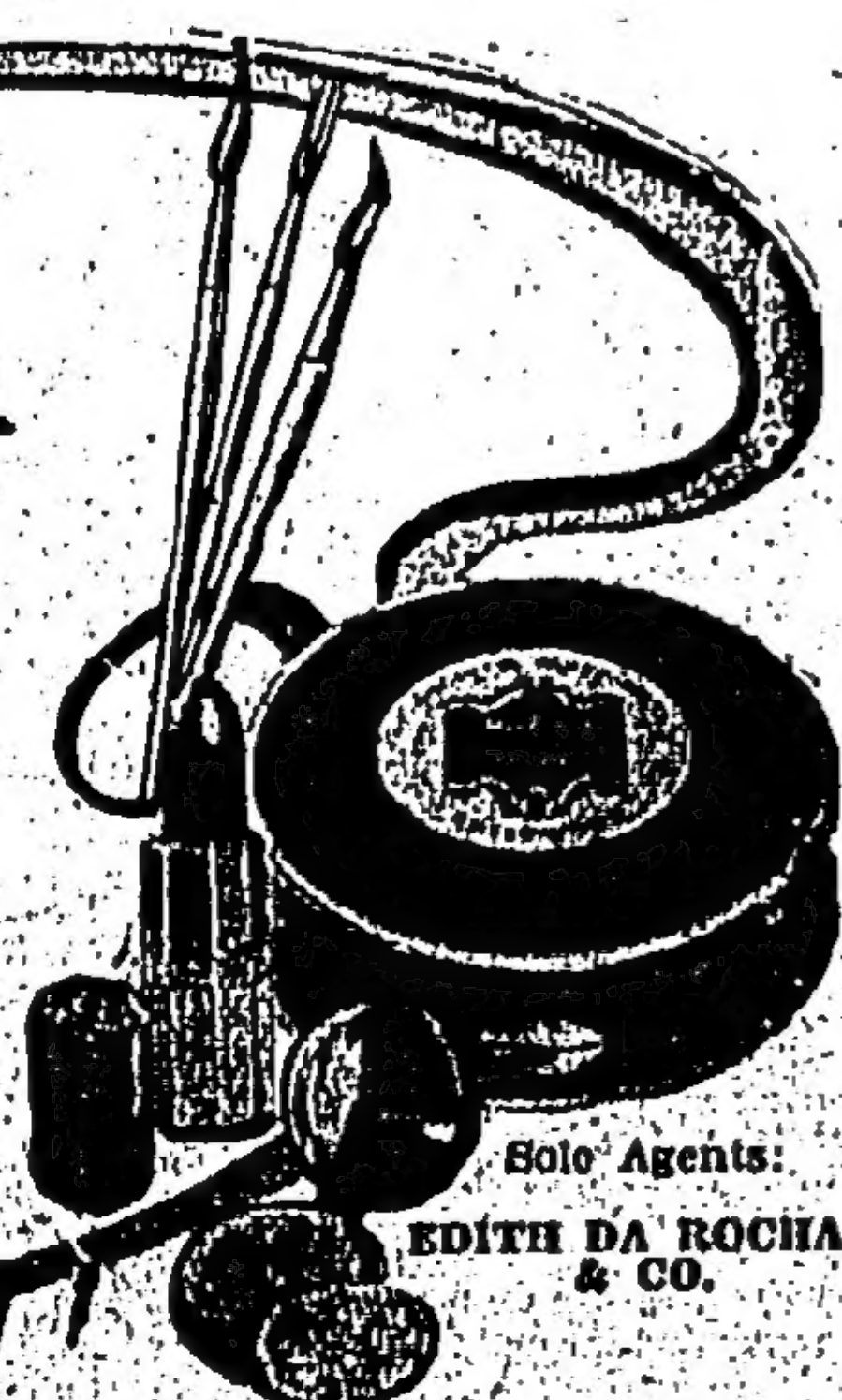
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APPALLING CRISIS IN EAST ASIA'S FOOD SITUATION

Areas Worse Off Than Europe

The weekly Economist, in a special article headed "Food and Population in Asia," today deplores the world's seeming neglect of Asia's distress whilst concentrating on the Marshall plan for aiding Europe.

The Economist said, "Amid storm tensions, hopes and fears surrounding the Marshall plan Asia's distresses have been all but forgotten. Yet the contemporary food crisis of Asia is vaster and more appalling than that of Europe."

"It seems less important to us because Western Europe has been so unaccustomed for generations to the idea of famine."

The articles goes on to apply Walthusian checks on the population and food supply to Asia as a whole.

"Blood-letting, regarded as a check on the growth of population, has the disadvantage of tending to create a vicious spiral. Famine and pestilence reduce the number of mouths to feed without affecting food production by those who remain alive but war and disorder greatly diminish food supplies and produce new pressures on means of subsistence."

"When there is talk of democracy in Iran, India, China, Indonesia, Korea or Japan the basic factors of food supply and population are at least relevant," the article said.

Appalling
It concludes by saying that the problem is most serious of all in India because "India is now spending on food imports most precious foreign exchange needed for capital construction."

"If the disaster in India continues with no economic cooperation between India and Pakistan, foreign exchange will soon disappear and Indian political leaders will face an appalling problem of feeding 400,000,000 on a territory no longer self-sufficient even on the lowest possible level. This problem must be attacked on an international level."—United Press.

MEXICAN EXCHANGE

Mexico City, Oct. 3.
Mexico City, Oct. 3. London 1,959, New York 485, Paris 450, Zurich 115. Hongkong 1,250, Bombay unquoted.—Reuter.

ARGENTINE GOLD

Buenos Aires, Oct. 3.
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Forward rates which are limited to three months differ per month by not more than five per cent.

The appointed banks are allowed a margin of 500 points either way in the case of the American dollar from the Central Bank's rate, and a margin of 2,000 points in the case of sterling.—Reuter.

MONEY MARKET

Gold opened yesterday at \$344 and closed \$344.50 a tael. 1 tael = 100 mace. From \$342.50 to \$345.

Minerals were firmer, opening at \$1.05 and closing at \$1.22½ a 100. Highest point reached was \$1.35.

There were no enquiries for Chinese National Currency, though futures, after opening at 10.2 cents for CN\$1,000, was quoted 11.05 cents at the close. Spot was stationary at 10.75 cents.

U.S. dollars, again a little easier, were quoted at \$5.40½. Sterling, came off to \$11.90, while Australian pounds were unchanged at \$12.50.

ALEXANDRIA BULLION

Alexandria, Oct. 3.
Gold, per "dihram" 166 piastres. Egyptian pound 470, Sovereign 522, Turkish Pound 360, Napoleon 560, Dollar (piece de cinq) 470, Silver (piastres) per Kilogram, 840.—Reuter.

LONDON SILVER & GOLD

London, Oct. 3.
Silver, Spot, fine ounce 43½d. Forward fine ounce 42½d. Bar, Gold, per fine ounce 172½; U.S. per fine ounce \$35; (New York Free Market) \$42½.—Reuter.

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New York, Oct. 3.
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EAT MORE GINGER

KIT CHEE GIVE DEVONS THEIR 1st DEFEAT BY 5-2 Eastern Gain Their 1st Points By Trousing Club 3-1

Kit Chee, newcomers to the First Division, beat the undefeated Devons by five goals to two yesterday at Causeway Bay. On the Club ground Eastern obtained their first points when they accounted for Club by three goals to one after drawing one all in the first half.

At Boundary Road Kowloon Motor Bus beat Police, who were strengthened by the inclusion of Howlett, by three goals to one.

Signals shared six goals with King Tso in the second division and South China did well to lose by only 4-2 against the Gunners by the odd goal in three.

FIRST DIVISION

Kit Chee-Devons

In a thrilling packed game, Kit Chee outplayed their opponents by pumping home to a convincing 5-2 victory over the hitherto unbeaten Devons.

Kit Chee did not have matters their own way as the score would appear to indicate. They had to fight every inch of the way for their victory, as the Devons put up a determined struggle.

Early played a grand game for the losers in the pivotal position and repeatedly frustrated the attempts of the Kit Chee inside trio to break through. He was ably supported by Musson and Fyfe.

Of the Devons forwards, Hammond, Lunn and Inskip gave a good account of themselves. They worked hard and tirelessly, but found Cheng Yung-keen a real stumbling block.

As a unit, the Devons did not work together with the same cohesion and understanding which was so apparent in their two earlier games.

Devons won the toss and elected to defend the goal at the harbour end.

From the kick-off, Kit Chee swept up the field, but were repulsed. The ball was transferred to the Kit Chee end and Hammond came near to scoring with a fast rising shot which just grazed the crossbar.

The Chinese then took a turn at attacking, but the Devons packed their goal and smothered all attempts of the Kit Chee forwards to shoot.

Ten minutes from the start, L. Tin-kee gathered a pass in mid-field and, outpacing the opposing defence, went through to open the scoring for Kit Chee.

Kit Chee increased their lead through Kwok Yung-keen and half time came with the score 2-0 in favour of Kit Chee.

The second half opened evenly, with both sides attacking in turn.

Devons threw every trick they knew into the game and had Kit Chee panned in their own half of the field. A perfectly placed centre by Inskip was met by Hammond, who shot wide.

At this point, J. Smith had to be assisted from the field as a result of a leg injury sustained in the course of a tussle with a Kit Chee forward.

Shortly afterwards, Inskip gained possession of the ball and in one of his characteristic dashes, went through on his own to reduce Kit Chee's lead with a fast ground shot which had the goalies beaten all the way.

Enlivened by this success, Devons put on pressure and

RESULTS AT A GLANCE

FIRST DIVISION

Club 1 Eastern 3
Kit Chee 5 Devons 2
Kowloon M.B. 3 Police 1

SECOND DIVISION

R.A.O.C. 0 Kit Chee 5
Kowloon M.B. 4 South China 2
Kowloon M.B. 8 Dockyard 0

THIRD DIVISION

Club 2 R.A. 1
Sing Tao 3 Signals 5

FOURTH DIVISION

Club 2 R.A. 1
Sing Tao 3 Signals 5

FIFTH DIVISION

Club 2 R.A. 1
Sing Tao 3 Signals 5

SIXTH DIVISION

Club 2 R.A. 1
Sing Tao 3 Signals 5

SEVENTH DIVISION

Club 2 R.A. 1
Sing Tao 3 Signals 5

EIGHTH DIVISION

Club 2 R.A. 1
Sing Tao 3 Signals 5

NINTH DIVISION

Club 2 R.A. 1
Sing Tao 3 Signals 5

TENTH DIVISION

Club 2 R.A. 1
Sing Tao 3 Signals 5

ELEVENTH DIVISION

Club 2 R.A. 1
Sing Tao 3 Signals 5

Twelfth Division

Club 2 R.A. 1
Sing Tao 3 Signals 5

Thirteenth Division

Club 2 R.A. 1
Sing Tao 3 Signals 5

Fourteenth Division

Club 2 R.A. 1
Sing Tao 3 Signals 5

Fifteenth Division

Club 2 R.A. 1
Sing Tao 3 Signals 5

Sixteenth Division

Club 2 R.A. 1
Sing Tao 3 Signals 5

Seventeenth Division

Club 2 R.A. 1
Sing Tao 3 Signals 5

Eighteenth Division

Club 2 R.A. 1
Sing Tao 3 Signals 5

Nineteenth Division

Club 2 R.A. 1
Sing Tao 3 Signals 5

Twentieth Division

Club 2 R.A. 1
Sing Tao 3 Signals 5

Twenty-first Division

Club 2 R.A. 1
Sing Tao 3 Signals 5

Twenty-second Division

Club 2 R.A. 1
Sing Tao 3 Signals 5

Twenty-third Division

Club 2 R.A. 1
Sing Tao 3 Signals 5

Twenty-fourth Division

Club 2 R.A. 1
Sing Tao 3 Signals 5

Twenty-fifth Division

Club 2 R.A. 1
Sing Tao 3 Signals 5

Twenty-sixth Division

Club 2 R.A. 1
Sing Tao 3 Signals 5

Twenty-seventh Division

Club 2 R.A. 1
Sing Tao 3 Signals 5

Twenty-eighth Division

Club 2 R.A. 1
Sing Tao 3 Signals 5

Twenty-ninth Division

Club 2 R.A. 1
Sing Tao 3 Signals 5

Thirtieth Division

Club 2 R.A. 1
Sing Tao 3 Signals 5

Thirty-first Division

Club 2 R.A. 1
Sing Tao 3 Signals 5

Thirty-second Division

Club 2 R.A. 1
Sing Tao 3 Signals 5

Thirty-third Division

Club 2 R.A. 1
Sing Tao 3 Signals 5

Thirty-fourth Division

Club 2 R.A. 1
Sing Tao 3 Signals 5

K.M.B.-Police

Displaying better combination and lasting power, Motor Bus beat Police by three goals to one in a Boundary Street game.

Police made some changes in their team which included Howlett, former star in side left. He was seen in the pivotal position and proved a stumbling block to the Chinese attackers.

Tsang in goal was applauded on numerous occasions and saved his team from a greater defeat. The Guardian of the Law tried and worked hard but found the winners just that bit too good.

Individually, Police had several good players but their combination were faulty and most of their passes went to their opponents. Their forwards showed plenty of thrust but when in a favourable position to shoot failed miserably. Chan On was an enterprising leader and showed a fine burst of speed. Ferrer made a good impression during the first half but faded off badly in the second period.

Chin Chi-fai was fast and clever at outside right while Tang Yuk-ki achieved well. However, the forward who caught the eye most was Cheuk, Shek-kam. He kept his wing moving with accurate passes during the afternoon and scored two brilliant goals.

Kit Chee played clever football and Lee Tse-ang, Tang Sum, Tam Keng-uk and Tam Kung-shun; Chin Chi-fai, Tang Yuk-ki, Chang Chun-kan, Cheuk Shek-kam and Cheuk King-ang.

Police: Tang Wai; Poo and Fung; Kaching; Gordon, Howlett and Lam; Wah; Leung Shui, Colaco, Chan On, Ferrer and Lam Tin.

Club-Eastern

After a very creditable one-all draw in the first half Club seniors cracked up badly in the second period and were beaten by three goals to one by Eastern at the Valley yesterday.

Club have themselves to blame for their defeat. They did not study the moves of their opponents and had the defence given their forwards the type of passes most desired. Club would have scored several goals.

The outstanding defender in the Club side was Fielstead, at left back.

By no means a polished player, he gave the Eastern forwards no time to indulge in their favourite play. He was always in the thick of things and though of no great assistance to his forwards, was perhaps the main stumbling block to the Chinese attack.

Fowler's type of play upset the Chinese for a considerable while in the first half. Invariably came out best in any tussle. In the second period the Chinese resorted to more close inter-passing and he was often beaten by Yuen Tu-lam.

Lee Tak-kee opened the scoring for Eastern but the Club were soon on level terms when Redman scored.

In the second half the Club seemed to tire and did not give the same display as in the first half. Further goals were scored for Eastern by Lee Tak-kee and Lau Fook-chuen.

Club: Lee, P. Fowler and Fielstead; Chui, Farrow and Beck; Henderson, Weller, Redman, Muller and E. Stanger. Eastern: Tam Kwan-kei, Lo Hon-son and Fok Yui-wah; S. T. Lau, Tse Kam-hung and Lo Wai-kuen; Tse Kam-ho, Tam Tuen-kin, Lee Tak-kee, Lau Fook-chuen and Yuen Tu-lam.

K.M.B.-Dockyard

Scoring four times in each half Kowloon M.B. second eleven beat Dockyard R.C. by eight goals to nil in a Second Division game.

Goal scorers were Liu Ping-yan (3), Yeung Kan-poo and Fong Yau-yue (2) and Li Tai-chung.

Today's Games

The following are today's games:

FIRST DIVISION

Police 1 p.m.
Reference: R.M. Omar.

Linsmeat: Navy/K.H. Tsang.

R. Navy v. Chinese Ath.

(Navy, 5 p.m.)

Reference: J. Havelaar.

Linsmeat: S.M. Lu/P. George.

St. Joseph's v. 25th R.A.

(Sookpook, 5 p.m.)

Reference: C. Tunstall.

Linsmeat: A. Lock/Navy.

Eastern (Bye).

SECOND DIVISION "A"

St. Joseph's v. W.D. Chinese

(Sookpook, 5.30 p.m.)

Reference: A. Lock.

Reference: R.M. Watson.

R.A.S.C. v. Cadre

(Happy Valley, 5 p.m.)

Reference: Sgt. Dore.

I.L.C. Electric v. R.A.M.C.

(Navy, 5.30 p.m.)

Reference: E.J. Nichols.

R.E.M.E. v. South China

(Caroline Hill, 5 p.m.)

Reference: F.A. Barrett.

Sing Tao have withdrawn for the

"B" section of the Second Division

and their game against Signal

has been postponed for today will be

at 11 a.m.

THE HONG KONG SUNDAY HERALD

HONG KONG, SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5, 1947.

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A model specially created to test a new method of photo-finish recording, developed from the strip. A new principle of photo-finish recording for races was recently demonstrated at the offices of the Race Finish Recording Co., in Jernyn Street, London, on a specially constructed, electrically-operated model of Epsom Racecourse, on which six miniature horses travel at speeds of about 32 m.p.h. The method employs moving-film technique, but as the film moves in a continuous steady movement, the picture is taken continuously and not in "frames." The time taken to get a print is said to be about 1 min. 20 secs.

Girl Sets New Record In Finals At V. R. C.

The first post-war Colony championships concluded at the Victoria Recreation Club yesterday evening before a record crowd who were treated to one of the classiest exhibitions ever seen locally.

George Saunders, who set the record of 24-2/5 secs. for the 100 yards free style, suddenly developed an illness and was unable to compete in this event which was won by Lau Tai Ping in 26 seconds.

As expected, Miss Shauna Anderson won the 100 yards back stroke in 84-2/5 seconds, equaling the record made by Miss Ho Wai King in 1941.

The ladies 400 yards classic which Miss Leung Oi Mui clocked 6 minutes 30 seconds over the distance.

The Waterpolo, which concluded the programme, was won by the combined Europeans against the Chinese 5 to 2.

Before the prize giving, Mr. A. Morse said he paid a splendid tribute to the committee of the V.R.C. for the excellent efforts of their organization.

Mr. Morse said that few could recall when the first championships under the auspices of the V.R.C. were held.

This year the championship were unique in no less than 12 records being broken and standards greatly on the high stand of excellence at present in the Colony.

He made special reference to W. Lawrence, Chan Chung Nam and C. Roza Pereira and mentioned that the generations to follow would give them great competition.

Results

The following were the results:

Women's 50 yards free-style championship: 1, Miss Shauna Anderson.

100-6/5 secs; 2, Miss Heather Anderson, 31 secs; 3, Miss Leung Oi Mui, 32-2/5 secs.

Men's 100 yards breast-stroke championship of the Colony: 1, C. Roza Pereira, 71-1/5 secs; 2, J. Yvanovich, 78-4/5 secs.

Men's 100 yards back-stroke junior championship: 1, L. Gutierrez, 78-4/5 secs; 2, L. Gutierrez, 80 secs.

Inter-Schools 4x50 yards free-style relay: 1, La Salle College, 2 mins. 01 secs; 2, Central British School, 2 mins. 23 secs.

Women's 100 yards back-stroke championship of the Colony: 1, Miss Shauna Anderson, 84-2/5 secs; 2, Miss Heather Anderson, 85-2/5 secs.

Men's 50 yards free-style championship of the Colony: 1, Lau Tai Ping (Lai Tsang), 26 secs; 2, Chui Leung, 26 secs.

Men's 100 yards free-style junior championship: 1, J.E. Gomes, 61-1/5 secs; 2, C. Gutierrez, 63-2/5 secs.

Women's 400 yards free-style championship of the Colony: Miss Leung Oi Mui (H.K.U.), 6 mins. 30 secs; 2, Miss C. Gutierrez, 6 mins. 54 secs.

V.R.C. Men's 50 yards back-stroke handicap: 1, N. Reynolds, 34-3/5 secs; 2, C. Gutierrez, 39-2/5 secs.

Men's 3x50 yards medley relay championship of the Colony: 1, V.R.C. "A", 17-2/5 secs; 2, E. A. A. 90 secs.

The following will represent University against I.R.C. in cricket this afternoon at Sookpook:

S. A. Wanar (Capt.), T. H. Lean, J. T. Ng, J. C. Koh, Eric Ho, Thomas Low, H. G. Amann, T. C. Leung, Ernest Low, Ponniah.

Home Football Results

The following are the results of football matches played today:

ENGLISH LEAGUE

FIRST DIVISION

Arsenal 2 Portsmouth 0

Blackburn 2 Preston N.E. 1

Blackpool 1 Manchester C. 1

Charlton 2 Bolton W. 1

Chelsea 4 Aston V. 2

Derby Co. 4 Grimsby T. 1

Everton 2 Wolves 0

Huddersfield 2 Sunderland 1

Manchester U. 1 Stoke City 1

Middlesbrough 3 Liverpool 1

Sheff. U. 1 Burnley 1

SECOND DIVISION

Barnsley 2 Leicester City 0

Birmingham 3 Fulham 1

Bradford 2 Luton T. 2

Bury 0 Millwall 0

Doncaster 0 Sheffield 1

Newcastle 0 Coventry 0

Notts Forest 1 Cardiff City 2

Plymouth Arg. 0 Brentford 1

Southampton 1 Tottenham 1

West Brom 1 Leeds U. 1

West Ham 4 Chesterfield 0

Third Division Southern

Brighton & Hove 1 Crystal P. 1

Bristol R. 1 Northolton 2

Exeter C. 2 Swansea 1

Leyton Orient 2 Bournemouth 0

Newport Co. 3 Notts Co. 1

Norwich C. 0 Aldershot 1

Port Vale 2 Southend U. 2

Queens P. R. 0 Swindon T. 2

Reading 2 Bristol O. 7

Walsall 1 Bury 1

Watford 1 Torquay U. 2

UNO WARNED ABOUT JAVA BATTLE Evatt Demands Swift Action

Lake Success, Oct. 3. The United Nations Security Council was officially informed today that the Dutch-Indonesian fighting still continues in Java and Sumatra and ordered the Three-member Committee to speed peace negotiations with the "utmost dispatch."

The Committee is composed of the United States, Belgium and Australia.

The decision to prod the Committee into action was taken by a vote of 9-0, with Russia and Poland declining to vote.

It came immediately after the disclosure that consuls in Batavia had reported fighting still continues in the Indies despite the Security Council's ceasefire order.

Australia promptly introduced the resolution requiring the Three-member Peace Committee to begin work immediately.

The resolution was passed with little debate.

The chairman of the Council, (Sir Alexander Cadogan) ordered a report to be read in public session.

Consular officers in Batavia admitted in the report that they had not yet discovered "any special interim measure to better the situation."

Australia's Dr. Evatt attacked the report, declaring that the "urgency of the situation" demands that the Council go ahead at once to discuss.

Dr. Evatt said the Committee of Three should proceed to work "with the utmost dispatch."

The consular report said: "Although investigations cannot be regarded as completed until reports can be received from all military observers... the Commission has reached certain conclusions after visits to Dutch and Indonesian-controlled areas since the Commission began work on September 1."

The report said that during July and August, Dutch military operations consisted mainly of two spearheads driven deeper into Indonesian territory, but the situation had not been stabilized even behind the Dutch lines, there being considerable "guerilla activity."

The consuls reported that "heavy loss of life" continued, with casualties among the Chinese residents particularly heavy.

They added that the Indonesians had refused to accept the demarcation line laid down by Netherlands military officials.

After Dr. Evatt had urged speed in getting the Committee of Three to work, the Soviet representative (Andrei Gromyko), asked for the floor and commenced a lengthy speech in Russian.

Gromyko charged that "certain governments" wanted the consular report kept secret.

He said the consuls were charged with investigating how the ceasefire was working. He also said:

"The Government of the Netherlands has been true to its words. It said it would ignore any recommendations of the Security Council that did not suit its own convenience, he added.

He charged that "some other governments were supporting the Netherlands" because "without such support it could not have spoken in this way or the Netherlands Government have disregarded the recommendations of the Security Council."

The Soviet delegate charged that the consuls' report was "not objective" but "it does draw attention" to the urgency to do something.

He said the consuls recognized the urgency of the situation and their report "calls urgently" for Council action.

Pointing out that the report says fighting is still going on, Mr. Gromyko charged that the "Soviet Union" had the actual scope of warfare in the Indies.

Cause Of Effect

He claimed: "The Consul confused the cause and effect... the Netherlands Government is the aggressor in this case and has ignored the Security Council's recommendation. It was offered last summer. It isolated that the Soviet proposal, which he asked to be submitted, be approved."

Mr. Gromyko said he "hoped the Council would adopt the following resolution:

"The Security Council considers it necessary that the troops of both sides be withdrawn to the positions held before military operations started."

FREE-FOR-ALL

A free-for-all among about 10 men at the Causeway Bay Skating Rink shortly after 9.30 p.m. last night, reportedly over a girl, threw the place into utter confusion and the arrival of a Police emergency unit who took the trouble makers, some with broken heads and bleeding noses to No. 2 Police Station for interrogation.

YACHT CLUB

All arrangements for the Yacht Club Regatta and Derby races over 21,400 sq. ft. before Sept. 23—associated Press.